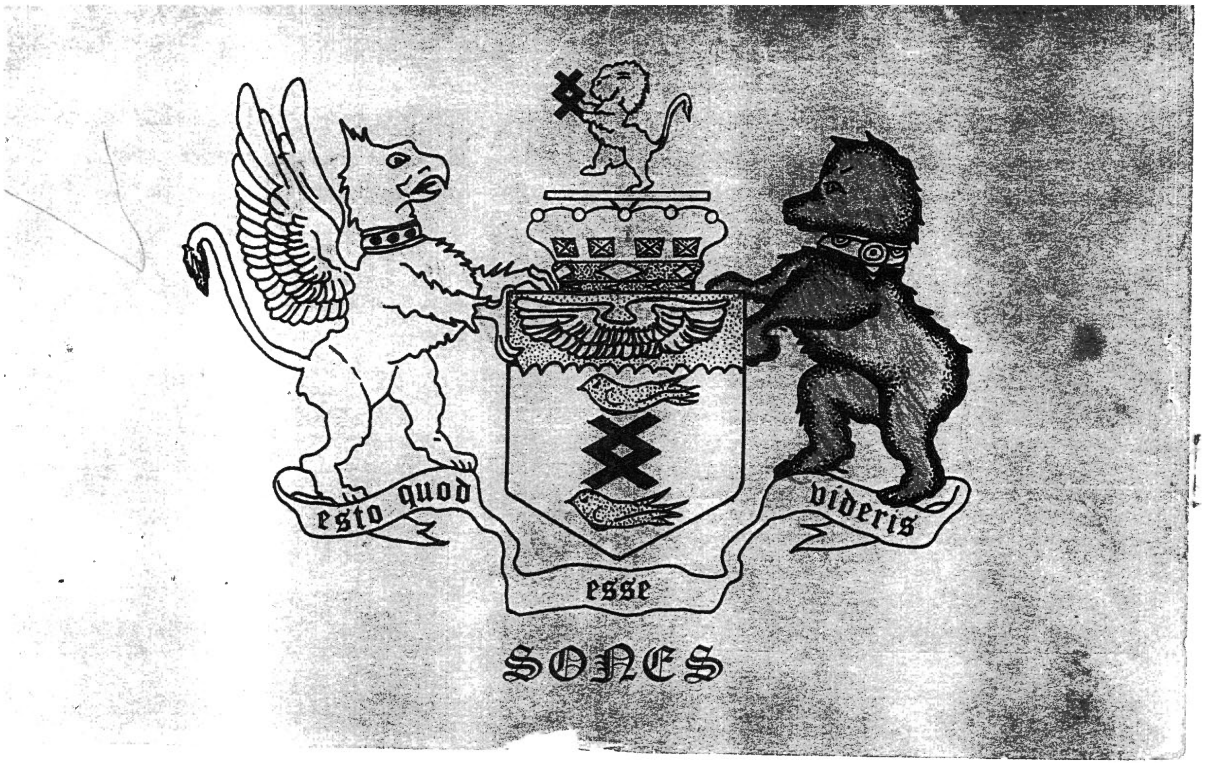
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BY

HARRY B. SONES

"In those days came John the Baptist preaching in the wilderness of Judea and saying repent ye, for the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand." Matthew 1, verses 1-2.

DEDICATION

This book is dedicated to the memory of my dear mother, who was the faithful wife of Elder James Quitman Sones and the mother of his twelve children. The following poem, written by Aunt Emma Campbell after the death of my mother, very well expresses what type of person she was. Aunt Emma is the youngest of my father's family and at this date is the only surviving member of his family.

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IN MEMORY

In loving memory of Mrs. J. Q. Sones, who died July 17, 1945.

I had a dear sister, who suffered much pain,
But like Job of old, she did not complain.

She was so cheerful and seemed so content,
While in the rolling chair, many lonely hours she spent.

She was so patient, kindhearted and true,
Such a great comfort to those who were blue.

She had a good husband, the joy of her life,
She was a wonderful mother, and a kind loving wife.

She reared a large family with many trials and joys
Three lovely girls and nine fine boys.

She was so faithful to her church, home and friends
Trying in every way she could, a helping hand to lend.

She made you feel welcome in her home so neat
She always seemed happy, her friends to greet.

She studied God's Word, which tells of his love,
All the while getting ready, for mansions above.

She lived near her church that she loved so well
And the many preachers she served, no tongue can tell.

As time went on, her pains grew severe,
She told her kind husband she could not stay here.

One day as the sun sank low in the west,
God in his infinite wisdom took her home to rest.

Yes, dear Sister's suffering is o'er
She has gone to be with Jesus, on that blissful shore.

The rolling chair is empty, the homelight burning low,
Dear Brother is so lonely, there seems no place to go

Cheer up, dear Brother, you have so faithful been
You stood by dear sister's bed right up to the end

No night was so dark, or day so blue
That dear sister could not always depend on you.

Now to the children, far and near, I've one thing to say
Just trust the Savior, and live for Him

We'll meet Mother, someday.

Written by her sister-in-law, Mrs. J. H. Campbell

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INTRODUCTION

BY

HARRY B. SONES

This is an attempt to write a brief account of the life and works of James Quitman Sones, my father.

I probably was more closely associated with my father in many ways than any of the other 11 children. Dad never learned to drive an automobile so it fell my lot to carry him to his churches for several years. Most of the time I would carry him to the church community and leave him, then either he would come back with some of the members or I would go after him on Sunday night. Occasionally, I would spend the weekend in the community with him.

Back in the days before the automobile, we would carry my father by horse and buggy to the ferry at Strahan's Crossing on Pearl River near what is now the Crossroads and some of his members from State Line and other churches in that area would meet us at the river and carry him on to his churches. In these early years of his ministry, he also traveled extensively by train. We had to get up about 3:30 or 4:00 in the morning and carry him to McNeill to catch a train to Slidell. There he would change trains and go to Bogalusa or Angie, Louisiana where some of his members would meet him. Regardless of ways of travel, he was always determined to meet his appointments. He also walked many, many miles to and from the churches that he pastored.

Being closely associated with my father as I was, I believe I knew his weaknesses and his strengths. I was especially impressed by his prayer life. He would never attempt to deliver a sermon without kneeling in prayer. He was so concerned and burdened over the lost that he shed many tears in the pulpit as he preached.

Many times I have known him to stop along the road and pray on the way to his appointments.

While in the church community where he preached, he would especially visit the sick and poor and underprivileged families. His sermons were generally very simple. I especially remember one of his sermons delivered at Oak Grove Church (Silver Run Community). His text or subject that afternoon was "Just a Little While". He really brought a great message in the power of the Spirit that afternoon.

THE EVENING OF HIS LIFE

Elder James Quitman Sones never did retire. He continued to pastor churches and preach until his health completely broke down.

His wife, who was a great source of strength to him, was struck down with a sudden and severe attack of arthritis or rheumatism about 1930. She spent most of the remainder of her life in a rolling chair. This was a great burden to my father but he accepted it in good spirit and faithfully strove to make life as pleasant as possible for her. He sought medical help for her far and near or just anywhere he could hear of a doctor or medicine that might give relief to her. Even under these very difficult times he was active in his ministry. In 1945 he lost this faithful companion as she passed from this life to go and live in that home prepared for God's family.

This brought on a very lonely life for my father. All the children had married or left home except my youngest brother, Virgil. Virgil was gone most of the time, at work in the daytime and other places at night.

My father married again after my mother died in 1945. His children personally objected to this but hindsight changed my mind about this. He married a good Christian woman, who was real good to him in his last days and proved to be a blessing to him.

After his death, Mrs. Martha, as we called her, married Elder E. C. Pigott. They were later divorced and she spent the rest of her life in a trailer home near her sister, who lived east of Lumberton.

When my father passed away in 1954, all of his children were still living but two months later, April, 1954, Nelson, his third son passed away and was buried near my father in Sones Chapel Church Cemetery.

At the date of this writing his other 11 children are still living.

Elder J. Q. Sones and Alma Ball, who later became his wife. This picture was taken not too long before they married.

This is the Old Soldier of the Cross near the end of the way, in this life here on earth.

FAMILY BACKGROUND

James Quitman Sones was the great grandson of Henry Sones, Sr. Henry Sones Sr. came to what is now South Mississippi from South Carolina about 1800. He and his family settled near Columbia on Pearl River. Henry had a large family — eight of his children were named in a will made by him and filed for record in the courthouse at Columbia, Mississippi on April 25, 1822. This was five years after Mississippi was admitted to the union as a state. He mentioned in the will that the older children had already received their part (they were not named). The eight children named in this will were: Sarah, Harriet, John Herring, Benjamin, Francis B., Martha Elizabeth, Andrew Jackson and Rebecca.

As the children grew up, they moved in different directions. Some of them moved south down Pearl River. Benjamin settled in what was later Hancock County. In fact, he served as a county officer in that county for several years. He represented Hancock County at the Constitutional Convention in 1832. He died and was buried near the courthouse in Bay St. Louis. Francis B., who is the grandfather of James Quitman Sones, settled on Hobolochitto Creek near what is now the Sones Chapel Community. Jordan Lumpkin had moved to this area from Georgia about the same time that Henry Sones, Sr. came from South Carolina.

Francis B. Sones married Martha Lumpkin, the daughter of Jordan Lumpkin. The other Lumpkin children were: Bill, Gus and Polly. Polly married John Wheat. Francis B. Sones and his wife Martha had two children; a son, Benjamin J. Sones and a daughter, Virginia Elizabeth Sones. Francis B. Sones was born in South Carolina on August 28, 1814 and died and was buried near Sones Chapel in a family cemetery in Hobolochitto Swamp on June 7, 1875. His wife, Martha Lumpkin, was born in Georgia on October 14, 1814 and died in Mississippi and was buried in the same cemetery by her husband on November 7, 1902. Her sister Polly was born March 17, 1817 and died March 6, 1915 and was buried at Henleyfield. She was blind for over 30 years.

Benjamin J. Sones was born at Sones Chapel May 15, 1841 and died there July 29, 1915 and was buried in the Sones Chapel Cemetery. His sister was born in 1836 at Sones Chapel and died near Nicholson in 1912 and was buried in Turtleskin Cemetery.

Benjamin J. Sones, was the father of James Quitman Sones, who met and courted Helen Caroline Lee before the Civil War (1858). In fact, they were engaged to be married

before he went off to war. Virginia Elizabeth Sones married Thomas Lee, the brother of Helen Caroline Lee.

Benjamin J. Sones went into the Confederate Army in 1858 at the age of 17. There were 83 others that enlisted in the service with him from this area. He and 34 other men returned, the other 49 were killed. He was in the Confederate Army seven years (1858-1865). When he returned home at the end of the war, he found his intended bride waiting for him. She was the daughter of Peyton and Anna Lee who lived on Catahoula Creek near Lee Town. Benjamin and Caroline were married on March 30, 1865 in the home of her parents — Benjamin was 24 and Caroline was 19. They had eight children, five boys and three girls named as follows: Florence Mintoria, Francis Peyton, Thomas Randal, Louise Victoria, James Quitman, John Portevie, Leonard Kimble and Emma Virginia.

The following poem written by Benjamin J. Sones is a brief account of his family history.

FAMILY RECORD

By Ben Sones

Children, I love to tell what I told when I was well,
Many days have gone by I'll try and not write a lie.
Heap of hard-ships I underwent and Many a dollar I have spent.
When I was ten, they called me Little freck face Ben.
When I was fourteen, I loved every girl I seen.
But Cally was the choice one, me and her had lots of fun.
Was a boy they called him Stockstill, I thought I'd have that boy
to kill. He was about to beat my time with Cal. I begin to think
I'd have to get me another gal.
When I reached the age of seventeen I joined something I'm
sorry I seen. I left my dear mother and father too. I was
sorry to have trouble I never knew. I left my sweetheart and with
her I surely hated to part. I'd think of her when far away.
I would cry when thinking of her rosy cheeks and little blue eyes;
and think of mothers place and fun I had at that old place,

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and
bullets flying over my head and did not know what minute I'd be
shot down dead. There was 83 went in with me. All that came
out alive was the pitiful sum of 35.
O the Blessed God did let me live, I feel my sin has now been
forgiven. When the time come for me to come home, I did enjoy
that good sweet milk and honey comb. But the greatest thing
of all, I got to see my gal that fall. Oh, I will never forget
the happy hour we spent, when to the old place I went. We
had been promised so long, when we met our love was strong. When
promised to be my bride, there wasn't long before the knot was
tied. Then my pleasures with the girls was done, I'd tied myself
by law to one.
In the year of 1865 the 30th of March we married on Catshots Creek,
and I brought her home that very same week. Then I commence you
see, to have my pleasures with Cally Lee. I worked and toiled to
raise potatoes and corn and next year there was a baby born. From
then on I worked so hard to keep Cally in corn, meat and lard I would
never loose an hour, to keep her in molasses, coffee and flour. When I
would plow, she would hoe that's the reason we had plenty you know.
Well as I remember in year '68, there was another baby born.
But thank the Lord I had fat meat and corn. Then I set in to
hauling logs and raising sheep, goats and hogs; then I begin
to take in the cash and living on turkeys and vinison hash
with sweet little children and loving wife. That rocked on several
years, and finally I got to catching furs. I'd been married
near eight years, then in year 1870 I had another boy born. He's
great to take pictures, but neglects his corn.
Then I got sick and had a bad spell, and the most of the

"The man who walks with God always knows in what direction he is going."

people thought
I'd never get well. Then in 1872 there was baby girl. We call her
Lou. I don't think she took after me. The good blood that's
in her came from Cally Lee. Then my boys begin to grow, how I
made them work. The LORD does know. They would plow and scratch
up sand, do anything that come to hand. I lived to get over
my spell, but bless your soul, I never felt well.
Well, I remember was 1874 God added to my flock one more. And
one thing I'm glad to say, he preach of night and work of day.
And now you see in getting so old, it's great pleasure to me
to see him preaching and praying and saving of souls. Then
well as I remember, in the year '76, there was another one born
the year I made cotton, peas, and corn. He was always fond of
town, when an easy job could be found. He looks so fair
cutting beard and trimming hair.
In the year '75 was the year my father died. Good children I
hate to say that time with you ain't for away. As well as I
remember, another was added to my flock. Being he was the son
of old man Ben, his mother always called him Len. I don't believe
I tell any lies, if was to say he could not be beat a making
ties. Another thing I'm glad to say I'll be with his wife after
judgment day. Her Len does live in peace, and she could not be beat
raising geese; and she had pretty good luck gathering eggs from ducks.
I'm glad I'm still in this troublesome world. I'll brag about my
little baby girl. She is good and kind to me. I feel it came from Cally
Lee. O my children do sing and pray that we may all be together after
judgment day. Wrote by your old sick pa always treat everyone well. Pray
that none will go to hell. This Dear children you can see,

"People take your example far more seriously than they take your advice."

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"If you are not as close to God as you once were, make no mistake about it, you are the one who moved."

when I am cast
away from thee. Amen.

This good Cally Lee lived a life for all of we. She died May 21, 1935. She was buried May 22, 1935. Brother Jim Stewart preached the funeral at Sones Chapel Church. She was 89 years old, the last charter member of the church, the last child in her family. She had eight children, 47 grandchildren, 51 great grandchildren, and two great great grandchildren.

EARLY CHILDHOOD

James Quitman Sones was born in a log house located on Hobolochitto Creek in what was later called Sones Chapel Community on October 27, 1876. James was the fourth child, the third son of B. J. and Caroline Sones. His father made his living by cutting logs and floating them down Hobolochitto Creek and Pearl River to Gainesville and Logtown. He also farmed and raised cattle and sheep. Hunting and trapping fur-bearing animals, such as raccoons, opossum, mink, skunk, etc., was another means of making a living. These skins were carried to New Orleans to market.

B. J. Sones was also one of the earliest mail carriers in this area. He carried the mail by horseback from McClure, now called Tyler, and McNeill to Wheattown or Chinquapin Post Office which was located near the Crossroads on Chinquapin Creek near Pearl River.

In 1876, the year James was born, this area was covered with virgin pine timber and was very sparsely settled. Wild game such as turkeys, deer, squirrels, rabbits, etc. were fairly plentiful and were a common source of food. At this time the people had to go to Gainesville or Bay St. Louis to trade.

James, along with his four brothers and three sisters received their education in a one room log house located on the ground where the Sones Chapel Church is now located. In fact, the church was organized in this same building in 1882. James was six years old when the church was organized.

James had very little formal education. Public schools in his time only operated 4 months each year and qualified teachers were very scarce. However, he took full advantage

"Christians are like pianos, grand, square, upright, and are no good unless in tune with God.

of the opportunities that he had and received the equivalent of an eighth grade education.

James' mother was a very devoted Christian and was a charter member of Sones Chapel Baptist Church (1882). His father donated the land for the church and became a member in 1884. James was eight years old at this time. His father was a very strict disciplinarian.

When James was nine years old, he had typhoid fever which was a very common disease at this time. There were very few doctors and little medicine available to treat patients and many people died with this disease. James was seriously ill with this fever for several days and was given up as dead. He was actually laid out on what was called the "cooling board". After he had been laid out for several hours, he began to revive or show some sign of breathing. His folks began to work with him and his circulation began to improve. He gradually got better. Everyone who knew of this incident considered it almost like a miracle and the answer to prayer.

HOME LIFE

James Quitman Sones was very devoted to his wife and family. Family devotion was a regular part of the daily routine at home. This included reading scripture, singing and prayer. At mealtime, each one would quote a verse from the Bible before the blessing.

We lived on a farm and most of our food was produced on the farm. As I look back today at the large family that my father and mother raised (12 children) I wonder how they made it on the small income they had. My father worked on the farm and elsewhere all week and preached on weekends. My mother was an unusually hard worker. She not only did the cooking, sewing, cleaning and general housework, but also went to the fields to help with the crops. During the summer, she did a lot of canning and preserving of fruits and vegetables. She picked and canned many blackberries and huckleberries.

My father and his older boys cleared some new ground each year. We had a large yoke or pair of steers or oxen that we used to clear land. Their names were Barney and Spot. We also used them to plow and disk the ground as well as general hauling.

Another kind of work we did for a living as I was growing up was to cut pine wood and ship to New Orleans to the American Turpentine and Tar Co. We had a pair of

mules named May and June that we used to farm and haul wood to the railroad at Tyler. We also had a mare named Daisy. We used Daisy for a variety of uses. We used her as a plow horse on the farm and hauled wood with a single wagon. She was a very good buggy animal too. My father and the boys would go in the woods and cut fat pine wood (pine knots) and haul to Tyler, ramp it there until we got a car load, then load it in a box car to be shipped to New Orleans. This mare was given to my father by the people of the West Union Church Community. They also gave him a nice buggy. At that time church services were held in the Lumpkin School House. Later they built the West Union Church.

James Quitman Sones had the privilege and pleasure of baptising all of his 12 children on the following dates:

John Warren Sones	1898	1912	Age 14
Edna Louise Sones	1900	1910	Age 10
Dora Lee Sones	1903	1916	Age 13
Harry Benjamin Sones	1905	1916	Age 11
Nelson Francis Sones	1907	1920	Age 13
James Carl Sones	1909	1922	Age 13
Harvey Harren Sones	1911	1923	Age 12
Elmer Paul Sones	1913	1927	Age 14
Glenn Ellis	1915	1929	Age 14
Willie U. G.	1917	1930	Age 13
Leo Virgil	1919	1938	Age 19
Mary Corrine	1921	1935	Age 14

All twelve children are shown in the photograph below.

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EARLY AND LATER MINISTRY

At the age of 19, James Quitman Sones was baptized by Bro. A. M. Slaydon on October 20, 1895 in the Hobolochitto Creek and became a member of Sones Chapel Church. The following were also baptized at this time: L. K. Spiers, Violette Spiers, Nancy Spiers, Louisa Spiers, Franka B. Spiers and Roena V. Mitchell.

Francis Sones, James' oldest brother went over near what is now Angie, Louisiana to work with a Mr. Gann who had a timber, turpentine and mercantile business. He later went into business for himself and opened a general merchandise store at Angie. James went to work in the store as a clerk. Later Francis and James met the Ball sisters, who lived at Balltown, a community located on Pearl River about four or five miles from Angie, Louisiana. They were the daughters of John Warren Ball and Corrine Ball. James married Alma Ball on January 30, 1898. Elder C. P. Toney performed the ceremony. He was the grandfather of C. P. Toney, Jr. who succeeded him as pastor at Sones Chapel. Witnesses to the wedding were J. I. Ball and L. W. Ford. On November 6, 1898, their first child, a son, was born. He was named John Warren, after his grandfather.

On August 15, 1900, James Quitman Sones was licensed to preach by Sones Chapel Church. He served the church as clerk from 1901 to 1903. He began to preach on every possible occasion. On October 24, 1900, the second child, a girl, was born. They named her Edna Lou after his sister (Lou) and his wife's sister (Edna). On June 20, 1903, James Quitman Sones was ordained to the ministry by Sones Chapel Church. He was 27 years old at this time. The following ministers participated in the ordination service: Elder J. I. Hill questioned the candidate, Elder Newton Breland gave the charge, Elder Thomas Dossett, who was pastor of the church acted as Moderator. On February 23, 1903, the third child, a girl, was born. She was named Dora Lee.

In 1845 the Southern Baptist Convention was organized in Georgia. The influence of this organization began to be felt in the churches of this area about 1900. Up until this time, all the Baptist churches of this area were of the old time Landmark Missionary type.

James Quitman Sones had come up under the influence

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of such staunch ministers as Elder A. M. Slaydon, W. H. Varnado, Thomas Dossett, J. I. Hill, Marion Walters and others not mentioned. From 1882 until 1902, Sones Chapel Church worked in the Hobolochitto Baptist Association. Practices or doctrines began to creep into the different churches in this association that they considered not according to the scripture around 1900. On December 14, 1901, a committee was appointed by Sones Chapel Church to consider organizing a new association. The committee consisted of the following members: R. L. King, Quitman Breland, Add Bounds and James Quitman Sones. In October 1902, a new association was organized and was called "Peace and Union". Sones Chapel Church worked in this association until 1919 when the association united with the State Line Association.

At the age of 28, in August, 1904, James Quitman Sones was elected pastor of Sones Chapel Church. He pastored this church for 46 years. He was in the organization of Balltown Baptist Church and the Baptist Church in Angie, Louisiana.

At the age of 29, James was elected pastor of State Line Missionary Baptist Church in 1905. This is one of the oldest churches in this area, being organized September 27, 1856. This was five years before the Civil War began (1861 - 1865). Joseph E. Pounds was the first pastor of this church. J. Q. Sones was the fourth pastor and served the church for 23 years (1905-1928).

This old church is over 100 years old and has been subjected to much pressure to change to modernism and ideas of man, but by the help and grace of God they have been steadfast and unmovable and still contend for the faith once delivered to the saints. This writer was amazed when I had the privilege of reviewing the old minutes to find the original minutes so well written and preserved, even through the Civil War period. This church is still in the old Landmark Baptist ranks with Bro. Enos Branch as their pastor.

Elder James Quitman Sones was a very busy man in his later ministry. He was in much demand as a pastor and evangelist. He was never without a full pastorial load. During most of his time as an active minister, most of the churches only had preaching service one weekend a month. Usually the business meeting or conference was held on Saturday and regular church services on Sunday. For many

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"Christian service calls for a maximum of 365 days a year, not fifty-two."

years he preached to four different churches, one each weekend of the month.

For many years he served as Moderator for the State Line Association. He preached in many revivals in the churches of Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama. Many souls were saved as a result of the gospel he preached.

Elder James Quitman Sones was a minister who was very concerned about the lost. I have seen him shed many tears over his deep concern for the lost. His wife shared this concern also. When he would return home from a week's revival, one of the first things my mother would ask would be if he had a good meeting and how many were baptised. He has baptised as many as 40 at the end of a revival.

For many years he was the principal defender of the Landmark Missionary Baptist cause in this area. At times it looked very gloomy and discouraging. From a human standpoint, it was hopeless. However, the Lord gave him courage and grace to carry on. The Lord began to send young ministers into the work.

At the end of World War I, I remember the first time I ever saw Bro. Jim Stewart. He was visiting in our home not too long after he returned from the Armed Services. He and my father were discussing the Landmark Baptist cause. Bro. Jim Stewart had been called to the ministry before he went overseas to the war, but he did not fully surrender to the Lord's work until he returned from the war. No doubt the Lord was preparing him for the great work he had for him to do.

Bro. Stewart and my father counciled together and worked very closely for the next several years. As my father became less active due to his age and health, the Lord had prepared Bro. Jim Stewart as a leader and defender of the Landmark Baptist cause. He seemed to take over the place of leadership my father had been in for many years. The Lord wonderfully blessed the efforts of Bro. Stewart. Many souls have been saved as a result of his preaching and the Landmark Baptist cause has certainly made much growth during his active ministry.

"Really, it's not the hear but the heart that keeps folks away from church."

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"The man who walks with God always gets to his destination."

HIS PHILOSOPHY

This poem, entitled "SERMONS WE SEE" by Edgar A. Guest, is a good portrayal of the type of man James Quitman Sones was:

I'd rather see a sermon than to hear one any day,
I'd rather one should walk with me than merely show the way.
The eye's a better pupil and more willing than the ear,
Fine counsel is confusing, but examples are always clear.
And the best of all the preachers are the men who live their creed,
For to see the good in action is what everybody needs:
I can soon learn how to do it if you'll let me see it done,
I can watch your hands in action, but your tongue too fast may run.
And the lectures you deliver may be very wise and true,
But I'd rather get my lesson by observing what you do.
For I may misunderstand you and the high advice you give,
But there's no misunderstanding how you act and how you live.

He conscientiously tried to practice daily what he preached. The following is a brief summary of some of the Bible principles he taught and stood for:

(1) The Bible is the holy inspired word of God.
(2) Jesus Christ organized his church during his personal ministry here from material prepared by John the Baptist.
(3) He believed this was the one and only true church.
(4) He contended that immersion was the mode of baptism taught in the Bible. This was clearly taught by example by Christ when he was baptized in Jordan by John the Baptist.
(5) He believed in three persons in the God Head; God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Ghost or Holy Spirit.
(6) He believed that Christ gave all authority to his church.
(7) He taught and practiced feet washing as Christ taught by example and admonished his church to do. The article on this subject written by him in 1945 expresses his view on this practice.

"What is in the well of your heart is bound to come up in the bucket of your speech."

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"The only reason why so many are against the Bible is they know the Bible is against them."

(8) He believed the Bible taught salvation by grace.
(9) He believed the chief mission of the church was to carry the gospel to the lost world.
(10) He contended that God's ministers were divinely called.
(11) He was strong believer in the power of prayer. I have never known him to attempt to preach a sermon without kneeling for prayer.
(12) He was always supported by free-will offering.

This article was written by Elder J. Q. Sones and published in a Baptist paper in July, 1945.

FEET WASHING

Perhaps, there is no subject that is more unpopular, even among Baptists, than the subject of Feet Washing. But regardless of what we might think about it, it is in the Bible and a part of all the things that Jesus taught and practiced while here in the world. When Jesus had washed the disciple's feet, he told them that they ought to wash one another's feet. He said they ought to do it. Who has the authority to tell the church they ought not to wash one another's feet? There seems to be plenty of confusion among the brethren as to when and where it took place. It took place in the church, Mark 14: 13-25; Luke 22: 7-20; John 13: 2-17. It took place in a specially prepared place in Jerusalem, in an upper room, Mark 14: 15; Luke 22: 12. It took place after the supper was ended, John 13: 2.

It pointed to the service he rendered for us. He lived for us, he died for us. His precious life, a life of service was given. He humbled himself even unto death. Now he is going to leave his church and go back to the Father. He is showing his church that he wants them to serve one another. He has served all of them, now He wants the church to serve each other. Each child of God should serve where God calls him. We all have our work to do. We are to follow him. "If ye know these things happy are ye if ye do them. I have given you an example." Now the example is service rendered in humility and love. Our nature is to be masters and lords. But he was Lord and Master. We are servants. "He laid aside His garment." He showed them the lesson by coming down at the feet of his brethren and washing their feet. First we need to see the example and then learn what

"It is doubtful whether one can be good without being good for something."

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"If you are too busy to pray — you are much too busy."

is taught — then follow the example, and the life of service. May the Lord help us that we be not one-sided, but to be willing to do whatever Jesus taught and not to follow men unless they follow Christ.

Jesus said, "Take my yoke upon you and learn of me, for my yoke is easy and my burden is light." Be willing to let Christ master you, let him be your Lord, and try to get ignorant enough not to know any better than to do what Jesus said. Do not waste time trying to get out of doing what Jesus said do, as you can do. Instead you are trying to get out of it.

Should not we all speak the same thing, practice the same thing, and have fellowship 100 percent? I believe all the Bible from Gensis to Revelation, and Feet Washing is included and is a part of all things, as well as preach the gospel, support the pastor, support the missionary, clothe the naked, feed the hungry, visit the sick, loose the prisoners, and bear one anothers burden, and so fulfill the law of Christ.

Let the Holy Spirit lead you, and show you what to do.

J. Q. SONES

TO THE MEMORY OF ELDER J. Q. SONES

I, J. M. Stuart pastor of Pine Missionary Baptist Church by the help of God, desire to say a few things as I remember them concerning one of God's most loveable and faithful servants in the ministry, to wit Eld. J. Q. Sones:

He was pastoring four churches when I first came to know him, which were Sones Chapel, State Line and he also doubled over to serve Pine in with State Line. The other two Sundays he was pastoring Union Church in the north part of Bogalusa, which is now known as Union Avenue. That was in February, 1922, and from then on he was one of the most helpful and faithful friends in all my early ministry. He was so kind and brotherly. He traveled and was one of the faithful leaders of the then known as Landmark or Old Line Faithway Baptist, and continued to follow the old fathers.

He pastored his home church, Sones Chapel, above forty-six years, as long as his health would permit. At that time the Mission Work was small. He walked many miles and drove a horse and buggy and was carried to and from his churches several years in a buggy.

"In Christ we find a better life in this world and a better world in the next life.

"If God be your partner, make your plans large."

God graciously blessed that dear faithful man to rear twelve children and he sent most of them through the higher schools of learning. They are today some of the finest citizens of our country. His oldest son, Elder J. W. Sones, answered the call to the ministry. He is now about seventy-five years old and has given the larger part of his life to the Mission Year. He also been true to the Landmark Baptist. God wonderfully blessed the life and work of Bro. J. Q. Sones and Bro. Sones' family was so wonderfully provided for, and God has encouraged my life through His faithfulness to Bro. Sones. In his lifetime he was the leading minister in our group of Baptists. Many people held him in high esteem, though they did not belong to his type of church. He made many sacrifices to preach the Gospel; but God graciously provided for him and blessed his family after he was carried home to God.

I can truthfully and joyfully say that God used him to bless my life. Everywhere he was known, he is still living on. I truly thank the Lord for my privilege to have known and worked with him.

I. Mrs. J. M. Stuart was saved at Hackley, La., when I was 12 years old. Immediately after that, my family moved back to Pine, where I was born. My father became a deacon of Pine Church, and Bro. J. Q. Sones became our faithful pastor. We children thought there was no other preacher as great as Bro. Sones. We loved and respected him as a father. We always looked forward to his coming to our home every fourth weekend. When I was 16 years old, he gave me some of the most wonderful advice, which has been a great blessing throughout my life.

Bro. Sones brought my husband to Pine Church and told me what a fine Christian young man he was. Bro. Sones had a great part in helping me to grow in the grace of God as a young Christian. Thank God for having been blessed to grow up under such a Spiritual Advisor.

TO THE MEMORY OF ELDER J. Q. SONES

In Memoriam

It is with much pleasure that we take this opportunity to write a few words dedicated to the memory of such a great man as was the greatly beloved Elder J. Q. Sones. I realize that he was just a mortal man who was not perfect,

"Happiness is a perfume you cannot pour on others without getting a few drops on yourself."

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"The devil is an artist. He paints sin in very attractive colors."

and I know that if he could speak to us today, even though his life and work like Enoch of old is yet speaking, he would say as we heard him say many times that what he was, it was by the grace of God. This was so true with him until on one occasion I recall when being present to help organize a church in Franklinton, La. where his son Elder J. W. Sones had worked as a missionary, Brother J. Q. Sones suggested the name "Grace" for the church, and thus we have Grace Missionary Baptist Church where Elder Ted Phillips is the present pastor.

It is my honest opinion that no one has been a greater blessing used of God to do more in his day and very few as much toward establishing the old time Faithway Landmark Missionary Baptist churches than Elder J. Q. Sones. More especially the churches here in southeast Louisiana and south Mississippi. The churches of the State Line Association, the Red Creek Association, the Black Creek Association, the Louisiana State Association and the Mississippi State Association.

No one who ever knew Brother J. Q. Sones and heard him talk or preach could ever have doubt as to what he was so far as church work was concerned. He was an old time Landmark Faithway feet washing Missionary Baptist. He was one who stood firmly against the salary system for support of the work of the Lord. He preached and practiced free will offerings, each individual purposing in his own heart as to how he would give. He stood for local church independence. Many a time in the various churches of our Associational work during my approximately thirty years association with him, I have heard the older people who knew him much longer and earlier than I did, relate some teaching or expression on some particular subject that Brother Sones had stood for or if it was wrong he stood against. It had a great bearing on their lives, as well as mine.

Elder J. Q. Sones was a leader among the old time Baptists. He was moderator of the present State Line Association for many years, loved and respected by all who knew him as a trusted, faithful and dependable minister and Christian gentleman.

About twenty three years ago when his health began to fail and he could not attend the State Line Association any more, it fell others of our lot to try to carry on in his absence the great work he was associated with. It was a

"God writes with a pen that never blobs, speaks with a tongue that never slips and acts with a hand that never fails.

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privilege to enter into the labors of he and others who preceded us. Our main purpose for this article is first to praise and honor the Lord for blessing us with such God loving and God fearing men as these and to refresh our minds by way of remembrance the great heritage they have left us. I am quite sure there are many young people who are Christians that do not remember Brother Sones. This is for your information also.

The Lord has blessed us with a wonderful work through these dear old people who struggled and denied themselves of many comforts in this world. The devil is fighting every way he can to try to divide, scatter and tear down, but God is calling more true ministers, saving souls and preserving his people. Thank the good Lord for such a wonderful God.

G. V. Hamilton

IN MEMORY OF THE LATE ELDER J. Q. SONES

By Elder Carl Sullivan

Bro. J. Q. Sones was one of the first Landmark Faithway Baptist preachers that I remember. He was one of the kindest and most unselfish persons I ever knew. He lived what he preached. He was very helpful to young ministers by always being ready to instruct and encourage them. He was certainly a blessing to me during my early ministry.

I was blessed of the Lord to help Bro. Sones in five revival meetings in succession at Sones Chapel Church while he was pastor there. Those are some of the times that I remember really enjoying being with him.

I felt that I was given one of the best honors I could have had when I was asked to preach the funeral of Bro. Sones, a man who contended for the faith through all his life and was a true follower of the Lord.

TO THE MEMORY OF THE LATE ELDER J. Q. SONES

By Elder Enos Branch

The first minister of the gospel that I knew when I was a little boy was the late Elder J. Q. Sones, of Carriere, Miss. When I was a small boy about five years old, 1918, my parents attended church service at old State Line Baptist church where Elder J. Q. Sones was the pastor, from about 1905 to 1928. The first impression he made upon me as a little boy was that I saw him as a holy man of God full of the Holy

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Spirit. I knew him to be a spiritual man, an humble servant of the Lord, dedicated to the service, sincere, full of compassion and love for the people of God and lost humanity. He preached the gospel in the Spirit of Christ, with compassion and tears. The first sermon that I can remember as a little boy was preached by him at Old State Line church on Saturday morning. He preached on the progress of sin in men's life and gave an illustration that I have never forgotten. He told how a little pig could crawl through a small hole in a fence but as the pig grew the hole in the fence would become larger just a little at a time. Then he told how a little sin in a person's life would grow unconsciously.

As I sat in the church, listening to him preach God would always touch my heart. His ministry affected my life for good as a growing boy. I can remember the last sermon he preached as pastor of State Line church. He wept, the congregation wept and I also wept. My mother who is still living at 82, loved Elder J. Q. Sones as her pastor. He was also pastor of a neighboring church, Carson Springs, from 1923 to 1936. After the Lord had called me into the ministry I had the privilege of assisting him in a revival meeting at Sones Chapel shortly before he passed from this life. He is still remembered by the people in these churches. I knew him as a dedicated servant who contended for the faith of our precious Lord.

IN MEMORY OF ELDER J. Q. SONES

By Elder E. S. Scarborough

Brother J. Q. Sones was a great man of God. I had some wonderful experiences with him. He was a staunch believer in the leadership of the Holy Spirit and the power of prayer. Once a young preacher had been invited to preach at his church and just a few minutes before service time he told Bro. Sones "I am empty and blank and have no message to preach." Then Bro. Sones told the young minister, "Let us go to God's filling station." So both of them went out, kneeled and prayed. When they arose, the young minister had a message, which he preached in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Bro. J. Q. Sones was a blessing to the cause of Christ and a firm believer in the word of God. I believe it could be truly said, "He fought a good fight. He kept the faith."

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"A Christian should so live that he would not be afraid to see the family parrot talking to the town gossip."

His memory is cherished by everyone who knew him. His friends loved him and even his enemies respected him.

E. S. Scarborough

JAMES QUITMAN SONES

In II Peter 1. 5-7 we read "And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge; and to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness; and to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity."

Of very humble parentage, having limited formal education but possessing a profound faith in God and His Son, Jesus Christ and a great zeal accompanied by the knowledge of God and the leadership of the Holy Spirit, my father, James Quitman Sones, strived to instill in each of his children that faith which was once delivered to the saints.

The greatest characteristic which was always evident in his life was love; love for God and His work, love for his family, his neighbors, his church and love and a forgiving heart toward his enemies.

The hospitality manifested in his home was unparalleled by any which I knew as a child or later as I, too, entered the ministry. Dad was never too busy to take out of the field or stop any task to help someone or even to have a chat with anyone. He enjoyed talking but he was a good listener, hence was a good counselor. His life belonged to others and was spent in the service of mankind. He lived the sentiments of Paul who said, "Love is the fulfilling of the law."

Though love was by far the outstanding virtue which he possessed, this same love enabled my father to add to his life many virtues which made him a full, rich Christian, one who was an example that we, his children, could gladly follow as he followed Christ.

Submitted by,
Elder John W. Sones

"Conscience is that still small voice that makes you feel even smaller."

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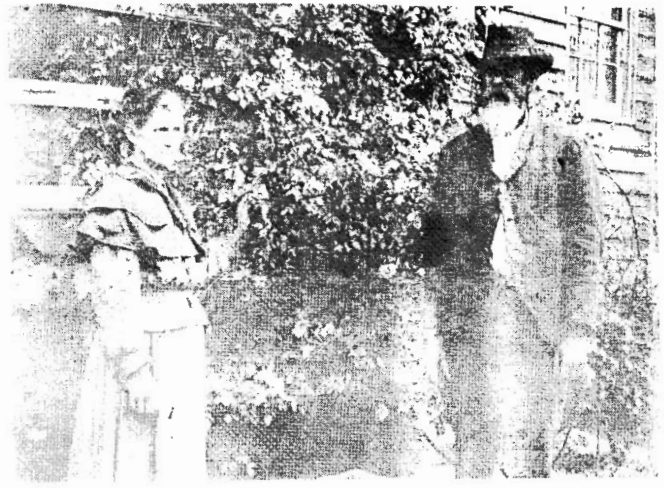
"No man ever repented Christianity on his deathbed."



This is Grandmother Mary Corrine Warren Ball and Grandfather John Warren Ball standing in the yard by their old home east of Angie, Louisiana on the Pearl River.

SUMMARY OF HISTORY OF SONES CHAPEL LANDMARK BAPTIST CHURCH

Sones Chapel Baptist Church was organized in 1882. This was during the trying times known in history as the reconstruction period following the Civil War. This was just 17 years after the war ended in 1865. Some of the early members had fought in this war. My grandfather, Benjamin J. Sones, an early member of Sones Chapel Church served seven years in the war. He gave the land to build the church on. The people were poor, travel slow and difficult and communications poor, so the people had to have a lot of courage, faith and the grace of God to carry on and erect a house of worship. This church will soon be 100 years old (1982). This is one of the few churches that made up the Hobolochitto Baptist Association that still carries on the same practices that it stood for when it was organized in 1854 or 1856. Old Palestine, the oldest church in Pearl River

"It is all right to have your own way provided you have accepted God's way as your own."

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County still carries on and stands for the same practices that it stood for in 1844. This was one of the original churches of the Hobolochitto Association.

There is not a church in the Hobolochitto Association today that stands for and carries on the same practices as these early churches. It is sad to think that if these old ministers like Bro. W. H. Varnado and Bro. A. M. Slaydon could come back today to some of the churches that they organized they would not be allowed to preach in these churches if they preached the same gospel as they did back then. How many churches could Christ get in today to teach or preach what he taught in the 13th Chapter of John?

Sones Chapel Church tries to follow the same policies and practices of the first Baptist Church that Jesus Christ organized from the material prepared by John the Baptist during his personal ministry here on earth.

Dates To Remember

1. 1882 (July 15) — Church was organized in small, one-room log school house.
2. 1894 The second church building was built of rough undressed pine lumber. This was also a one-room structure. It was built by the members.
3. 1897 New benches built for church.
4. 1898 June 23rd, first Sunday School organized.
5. 1901 Third church building occupied. This was a much larger, one-room building. The material was dressed, pine lumber.
6. 1907 First organ bought for the church.
7. 1946 Fourth building occupied. Dedication sermon by Elder Tom McDaniel. History read by Elder J. Q. Sones. This was a concrete block structure with Sunday School rooms.
8. Charter Members were:
   1. J. I. Hill
   2. Mrs. J. I. Hill
   3. Lott Smith
   4. Helen Caroline Sones
   5. Mrs. F. B. Sones
   6. Nancy Lee
   7. Marion Smith
8. 1968 On Sunday, October 13, at the 11:00 A. M. Service, the fifth building was dedicated. The dedication sermon was preached by the pastor, Elder Curtis Nobles. The history of the church

was read by Harry B. Sones. The new building was a one-room brick veneer structure which was to serve as the auditorium. The old block building was renovated and divided into Sunday School rooms with indoor rest room facilities added.

PASTORS SERVING AT SONES CHAPEL CHURCH

1.	J. I. Hill	7 years
2.	T. B. Mitchell	2 years
3.	J. A. Harper	2 years
4.	A. M. Slaydon	6 years
5.	J. M. Sammons	1 year
6.	Thomas Dossett	4 years
7.	James Quitman Sones	47 years
8.	C. P. Toney	8 years
9.	Huey Byrd	2 years
10.	Houston Rawls	3 years
11.	Curtis Nobles	8 years
12.	Donnie Allums	2 years

CHURCH CLERKS

1.	F. B. Lenoir	2 years
2.	B. J. Sones	10 years
3.	P. R. Mitchell	35 years
4.	James Q. Sones	3 years
5.	L. K. Sones, Sr.	4 years
6.	J. D. Bodie	1 year
7.	W. B. Lumpkin	2 years
8.	T. R. Sones	3 years
9.	Nelson Spiers	7 years
10.	H. K. Sones	2 years
11.	H. H. Sones	4 years
12.	Elmer Lumpkin	8 years
13.	Lawrence Wells	9 years
14.	H. K. Sones	
15.	Frank McClinton, Jr.	

MINISTERS ORDAINED BY SONES CHAPEL CHURCH

1. Elder James Quitman Sones
2. Elder Andrew Tynes
3. Elder John W. Sones
4. Elder Hubert Tynes

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"It is better to live for Christ than to wish you had."

5. Elder J. C. Tynes
6. Elder Arthur Smith

Sones Chapel Church has cooperated with the following associations:

1.	Hobolochitto	1882 - 1902
2.	Peace & Union	1902 - 1919
3.	State Line	1919 - 1945
4.	Hobolochitto	1945 - 1950
5.	State Line	1950 - 1973

CHURCHES PASTORED

Name of Church	Date of Organization	Date Pastored	
Sones Chapel	1882	1904 - 1950	
State Line	1856	1905 - 1928	
Old Antioch	1881	1906 - 1909	
Old Palestine	1844	1912 - 1919	
Pine Grove (La.)	1881	1910 - 1912	(1915 - 1924)
Union Ave. (Bogalusa, La.)	1855	1914 - 1925	
Cedar Grove		1919 - 1921	
West Union		1916 - 1920	
Myrtle Grove		1914 - 1915	
Monroe's Creek		1912 - 1916	
Red Creek		1926 - 1938	
Hickory Creek		1930 - 1943	
Zion Hill		1928 - 1930	
Mineral Springs		1948 - 1950	
Carson Springs		1927 - 1936	
Millcreek	1909	1927 - 1930	
Varnado (La.)		1920 - 1926	
Pine		1916 - 1920	
Oak Grove		1926 - 1928	

LIST OF PEOPLE BAPTIZED BY ELDER JAMES QUITMAN SONES AT SONES CHAPEL CHURCH 1904 - 1950

1904: Slaydon Lumpkin, Willie Smith (re-baptized 1919), Albert Mitchell, Albert Smith, John P. Sones.

1905: Mrs. Rose Spiers, Mrs. Ann Spiers, M. R. Lumpkin, Grover L. Nicholas, T. R Henley, Boyd Henley, Luther Jones, Jacob Spiers, Rachael Spiers, Rosa Nicholas.

1906: T. L. Sumrall, Irona Spiers.

"The church that is not against something is seldom for anything."

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"The church is full of willing people. Half willing to work and the rest are willing to let them."

1907: Jerry Kenmar, Rich Smith, Rube Lott, George Chadwick, Jimmy Smith.

1908: Willie Lumpkin, Birdie Lumpkin, Maudie Stuart, Emma Smith, Cordelia Lott, Ollie Lott, Boyd Smith, Ada Henley, Rosa Cooper.

1909: Lula Henley, Henry Smith, Mary Kenmar, Dolph Brewer, Francis Brewer, Prentiss Strahan, Will Winningham, Ellen Spiers, Ellis Seals, Ellis Spiers, Ella Spiers, Zada Spiers, Cordelia Spiers, May Bodie, Josephine Smith, Correne Smith, Josie Lumpkin, Louisa Burge.

1910: Charlie Bodie, West Alsobrooks, Ida Lumpkin, Correne Lott, Maggie Lott, Edna Sones, Roena (Sug) Mitchell, Sallie Rowell.

1911: Jim Leatherwood, Davis Boone, Alma Burge, Lorena Burge, Sarah Spiers, Ada Alsobrooks, Neva Jones, Allen Spiers.

1912: Dan Mitchell, Alfred Mitchell, Joe Lumpkin, Ellis Lumpkin, Harvey Alsobrooks, Ed Burton, Randal Sones, Albert Spiers (re-baptized in 1922), Almer Spiers, Hiriam Smith, John W. Sones, Sr., Sam Bodie, Elsie Lumpkin, Lourainy Spiers, Birdie Newman, Annie Rester, Rosa Kenmar, Daisy Kenmar, Nelia Mitchell, Rosa Mitchell, Zibbie Lott, Francis Lumpkin.

1913: John (Boss) Henley, Math Glass, Charlie Mitchell, Ott (Artemus) Smith, Marvil Smith, Tommie Spiers.

1914: Hubert Henley, S. N. Penton, Mrs. Joe Newman, W. T. Wheat, Will Wheat, Barney Lumpkin.

1916: Hubert Mitchell, Clarence Mitchell, Harry B. Sones, Van Smith, Horace Smith, Susie Spiers, Dora Sones, Oneita Spiers, Gertrude Cooper, A. King, Madie Rester, Bertha Lumpkin.

1917: Sam Smith, Jr., Luther Mitchell, Lillie Saucier, Arzona Alsobrooks, Eva Penton.

1918: Lula Spiers, Rufus Spiers, Annie Lou Campbell, Ollie Mitchell.

1919: Willie T. Smith (Re-baptized).

1920: Houston Smith, T. W. A. J. (Tommie) Smith Jr., Nelson Spiers, Nelson Sones, Ernest Lumpkin, Willie Sones, Polly Smith.

1921: Ella Penton, Clarence Lumpkin, Lizzie Lee Campbell, Ophelia Mitchell, Bessie Miller, Amazon Miller, Effie Coleman, Etta Coleman.

"Going to church does not make you a Christian any more than going to a garage makes you an automobile."

"If you are one of God's lambs, don't go round acting like the devil's Billy Goat."

1922: Albert Brumfield, Bob Burton, Tate Campbell, Bennie Lumpkin, Adolph Miller, Claude Miller, Louella Robertson, Inez Wheat, Dora Wheat, Ruby Sones, Hubert Smith, C. T. Smith, Paul Smith, Walter Smith, Carl Sones, John Miller, Ernest Mitchell, Hattie Lo' Nard, Oscar Smith.

1923: Bob Frazier, T. A. Mitchell, Lula Rester, Eugene Wells, J. W. Wells, Ayner Wells, Zella Wells, Rosa Sones, Lena Spiers, Callie Spiers, Harvey H. Sones, Turner Smith, Emma Penton.

1924: Ollie Alsobrooks, Curtis Frazier, Cora Frazier, Luther Lumpkin, Chalmus Lumpkin, Charles Lumpkin, Leila Lumpkin, Lavelle Lumpkin, Eva Lumpkin, Riley Mitchell, Ruby Mitchell, Malcom McCraney, Eunice McCraney, Armanda McCraney, Dumas Spiers, Katie Spiers, Velma Saucier, G. W. Walker, Archie Wheat, Carlie Wheat, Landee Wheat, Angie Walker, Ethel Wells, Ruby Spiers, Ouida Smith, Leroy Spiers, Mrs. Alice Brumfield, Sam Lumpkin (re-baptized), Mamie C. Johnson, Charlie Lumpkin.

1925: Eva May Burton, Alla Cutrer, Joe Kenmar, Francis Kenmar, Curtis Lumpkin, Irma Lumpkin, Viola Mitchell, Marvin Tynes, Hubert Tynes, Herman Tynes, Hilton Spiers, Hatties Spiers, Mary Smith, Archie Spiers, John W. Lumpkin.

1926: Ruby Coleman, Thomas Davis, Ernest Johnson, Edwina Mitchell, Ethel Lumpkin, Opal Sones, Ella Smithe, John Spiers, Jr., Carl Smith, Elijah D. Coleman, Sebron Alexander.

1927: J. B. Parker, Mrs. J. B. Parker, Mrs. Edgar Spiers, Edgar Spiers, D. T. Beach, Helen Campbell, Emily Frazier, Arlis Rester, Arthur Wells, Elmer Sones, Marshall Spiers.

1928: Mabel Mitchell, Robert Williams, Edith Spiers, Minnie Smith, Mabel Sones.

1929: Hazel Campbell, Willie Campbell, Ophelia Campbell, Georgia Coleman, Misouri Miller, Pearlie Lumpkin, Virgie Lumpkin, Erlean Lumpkin, J. C. Tynes, Lamar Tynes, Lawrence Wells, Glenn Sones, Theo Smith, Joda Spiers, Bonnie Spiers (Mrs. Nelson).

1930: Clarence Burge, Velma Baughman, Ruth Campbell, Mrs. Robert Alexander, Margaret Livings, Josephine Lumpkin, Hollis Jarrell, Ruby Jarrell, Virginia Jarrell, Viola Jarrell, Elsie Kennedy, Zada Kenmar, Pearl Mitchell, Houston Reagan, Wiley Rester, Rufus Wheat, Eugene Wells, Jr., Ellis Wells, U. G. Sones, J. W. Sones, Jr., Marvin Smith,

"If I was not an old time Baptist like Christ, I would be ashamed of myself.

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"The modern 1974 model Baptist need to change their name or get back in the old paths."

Marcus Smith, Lemuel Spiers, Rufus Mitchell.

1931: Bonnie Mae Bodie, Oneida Glass, Eunice Lumpkin (Mrs. Thomas), Murray Miles, Juanita Smith, Eva Moore Wells, Millie Miller (Mrs. Adolph), Julia Mitchell (Mrs. Riley), Dicie Sones, Ladette Spiers, Odel Spiers, Marie Smith, Joe Sones, Jr.

1932: Willard Alsobrooks, Bonita Burton, Letha Rester, Loyd Williams, Toxie Stanford, Ulmer Lumpkin, Elmer Lumpkin.

1933: Hollis Mitchell, Van E. Smith (Rich's Van).

1934: Oree Alexander, Lourainy Lewis, Audrey Spiers, Randle Lumpkin.

1935: Lessie Mitchell, Audrey Mae Lott, Doris Lumpkin, Izella Kenmar, Alice Rowell, Reece Spiers, Jewel Walters, Mary Catherine Williams, Mary Sones, Leola Smith, Lena Smith, Iona Smith, Edna Mae Smith, Ilean Spiers (Mrs. Allen), Mrs. Eugene Spence.

1936: Archie Blackwell, Eva Kennedy, T. C. Fornea, Clyde Lumpkin, Frank McClinton, Sr., Dorothy Rowell, Maude Walters, Ailene Lumpkin.

1937: Elsie Ivey, Doris Ray Sones, Floretta Spiers, Marie Ivey, Mary Ruth Ivey.

1938: Lionel Miller, Irma Jean Cooper, Elmira Burge, Evie May Smith, Lillian Smith, Arnold Spiers, Hollis Spiers, W. T. Spiers, Royce Spiers, Virgil Sones, H. K. Sones, L. K. Sones, Jr., Mattie Lee Tynes, Lou T. Miller, Duprey Lumpkin, Mary Dell Lumpkin, Lyda Lumpkin, Velma Frazier, Della Daniels, Ethel Craddock, A. C. Cooper, Eldridge Burge, Chester Burge.

1939: Chester Bodie (Cummings), Bessie Bodie, Christine Varnado, Ellis Lott.

1940: Mary Lois Cooper, Marjorie Lumpkin, Louise Lumpkin, Delphina Phelps, Ella Stines, Willie Stanford, Louise Rester.

1941: Arthur J. Smith, Beedie Alexander, Jessie May Alexander, Pauline Amacker, Lois Mitchell, Dewey Smith, Sr., Dewey Smith, Jr., Junior Smith, Herschel Smith, Harvey Mitchell.

1942: None

1943: Mrs. Joe G. Smith, Voncile Spiers.

1944: Archie Baucum, Ruby Baucum, Ethel Mitchell, James Mitchell, Clara Nell Penton Lumpkin, Marcell Duncan, Marvin Duncan, Marant Duncan, Archel Baughman, Ruby

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Baughman, Pearl Burge.
1945: None
1946: Phyllis Mitchell
1947: Leon Burge, Harlon Burge, Janice Baker, Argel Carroll, Carlie Cooper, Margie Duncan, Ephraim Duncan, Joan Lott, Nancy Lou Mitchel., Myrtle Mitchell, Wayne Mitchell.
1948: Max Carroll
1949: Dave Faircloth, Edith Smith.
1950: Lucille Green.
TOTAL: 442

A. M. SLAYDON 1826 - 1898

A. M. Slaydon was born in Texas on September 15, 1826. His parents were very poor and he did not have very much schooling. He was raised a Methodist.

At the age of 22 he left home and as the prodigal son, he wasted his life in riotous living. About 1854 he came to Hancock County near Nicholson, Mississippi. In the meantime he had married a Methodist girl. In 1855 Elder William H. Varnado was preaching in a revival at Old Palestine, the church that he had organized in 1844. A. M. Slaydon attended this revival and along with 13 others was converted and baptized by Bro. Varnado. He later was called to the ministry and licensed to preach in 1856. Ten years later after Bro. Slaydon was baptized, he baptized 14 at the same place.

His library consisted of Websters Spelling Book, Walkers Primary Dictionary and the Bible. With the Holy Spirit as his teacher, pine knots as his lamp, he became a capable, devoted and dedicated preacher of the word. He was a true and staunch Landmark Missionary Baptist. He organized and pastored many of the older churches of this area. He stood firm and defended the old time Landmark Baptist cause until his death. He died on Christmas Eve, 1898 and was buried in the Old Palestine Cemetery with Masonic Honors. James Quitman Sones attended this funeral. Bro. Slaydon had baptised him three years prior to his death on October 20, 1895 in Hobolochitto Creek near Sones Chapel Church.

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WILLIAM H. VARNADO 1804 - 1893

Elder William H. Varnado is the first Baptist Minister that we have any record of to preach and work in this area. He led in the organization of all of the oldest Baptist churches of this area, the first of which was Palestine (1844). A group later pulled off from Palestine and organized New Palestine. The Hobolochitto Association was organized in 1856 under Elder Varnado's leadership. The following churches made up this Association: Union (Ceasar), Elam, Pine Grove, Bethel, Salem, Zion Hill and Gainesville which later moved to Turtleskin under the name of Corinth. Later the following churches were in this association: Juniper Grove, Sones Chapel, Henleyfield, Cedar Grove, Mill Creek, Lee's Chapel No. 1 and Spring Hill. Elam dissolved and went to Bay St. Louis. Corinth was forced to move when the Mississippi Test Facility was built. The membership of the church divided on the money they received from the government and formed two groups. One group built a building at Nicholson and kept the name Corinth. The other group built a building west of Nicholson and named this church Grace Memorial.

Uncle Billy Varnado led the organization of the Hobolochitto Baptist Association in 1856. He was born on March 5, 1804 in South Carolina. He came to this area about the same time and from the same state that my forefathers, the Sones' came from. My great, great grandfather, Henry Sones, Sr. came to this area from South Carolina in the early 1800's.

Bro. Varnado's parents, Leonard and Rachel Shilling Varnado settled near McComb in Pike County, Miss. in 1809. He was saved and became a member of Mount Olive Baptist Church in Pike County. He was ordained to the full work of the Ministry by Mount Olive Church on August 8, 1840. He was a regular Landmark Missionary Baptist preacher and very active in the ministry for 45 years. He lived 53 years after being ordained as a minister. Uncle Billy, as he was affectionately called, was a great doctrinal preacher of his time. He preached with great persuasiveness and power of the Holy Spirit. He was able and meant much to the advancement of the Baptist cause. He was the same kind of Baptist that Jesus and John the Baptist were. He taught and practiced feet washing as taught by Jesus in the 13th Chapter of John. In fact all the old churches of this area taught and practiced feet washing. Bro. Varnado died

on July 15, 1893 at the age of 89 and was buried in the Union Church Cemetery at Caesar.

His friends that endorsed the gospel and doctrine that he preached and taught purchased a monument and erected it to his memory. The inscription on the monument reads as follows:

> Sacred to the memory of Elder W. H. Varnado, born March 5, 1804, died July 15, 1893. He was the first Baptist Minister known to preach in Hancock County, Mississippi as a great Missionary and pastor. He was a Landmark Missionary Baptist and believed in and practiced washing of the Saints feet as taught by our Lord in the 13th Chapter of John.

If Uncle Billy should come back to this area, there are many of the churches that he organized in which he would not be allowed to preach because they have departed from what he preached and taught.

MINISTERS OF THE CROSS TO REMEMBER

(1) Billy Varnado 1804-1893
(2) A. M. Slaydon 1826-1898
(3) Marion Walters
(4) C. P. Toney, Sr.
(5) J. I. Hill
(6) T. B. Mitchell
(7) J. M. Sammons
(8) J. A. Harper
(9) Thomas Dossett
(10) Andrew Tynes
(11) Huey Byrd
(12) J. M. Stewart
(13) June Hartfield
(14) J. E. Ball
(15) Ben Fortenberry
(16) Elder Carl Sullivan
(17) Elder Price Bond
(18) Elder J. E. Roberson
(19) Elder Jack Spiers
(20) Elder J. E. Glenn

These are some of the deceased ministers that I remember hearing my father speak of working with or being influenced by.

Front row left to right seated: Thomas Jackson Mitchell, John Warren Ball; back row, standing, left to right: Elder J. M. Sammons, Elder James Quitman Sones and Mr. Richard (Dick) Jones. This picture was taken at the old home of Elder J. Q. Sones. This house burned in the fall of 1924.

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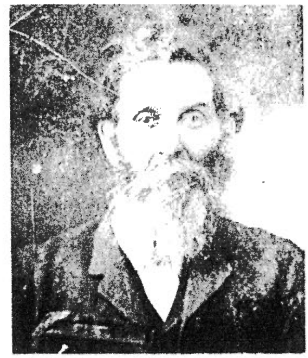
This is a picture of a group taken at the end of a singing school taught at Sones Chapel by Bro. J. M. Voss from Purvis, Mississippi. This scene is one of the old one-room frame buildings at Sones Chapel. At the extreme left side is Bro. J. M. Voss, Leonard Mitchell, Elder James Quitman Sones, Albert Smith and Charlie Bodie. Over 100 participated in this school.



This is a picture of Elder J. I. Hill who led in the organization of Sones Chapel Church (1882). He was a charter member and served the church as pastor for seven years 1882-1889. He and his wife were the first to be buried in the Sones Chapel Cemetery. His daughter, Elizazbeth was the wife of Gideon Lumpkin who served as deacon of Sones Chapel for many years. Some of Elder Hill's descendants are members now and have been all through the 93-year history of the church.

This is a picture of William Spiers with his ox team and wagon loaded with long leaf yellow pine cross ties. These ties were hand made. They usd what was known as a broad ax to hew or square logs in this shape. These ties are on the way to Tyler to be sold to the Railroad Company. This picture was taken in front of the last residence of Benjamin J. Sones by his son, Thomas Randle Sones.

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This is a group photo taken about 1890. Standing left to right are: Martha Patricia Lumpkin Sones (Aunt Patsy), Benjamin J. Sones, Franklin Lumpkin; seated — Elizabeth Hill Lumpkin holding baby Francis Lumpkin, Gideon R. Lumpkin holding child, Slaydon Lumpkin. These are the two oldest children of Mr. and Mrs. Gideon Lumpkin. At this time (1975) Slaydon and Francis, ages 87 and 85 are still living and active. Benjamin J. Sones was the father of Elder James Quitman Sones and Martha Patricia Lumpkin Sones was his Grandmother. At this time she was 76 years of age and her son Ben, age 49.

"A man shows what he is by what he does with what he has."

This is a group picture showing five living generations of the Ben Sones offspring: Helen Caroline Sones, great, great grandmother; Florence Mintoria Sones Mitchell, great grandmother, Albert Monroe Mitchell, grandfather; Myrtis Mitchell Nichols, mother and Willie May Nichols, daughter.

"Men who pray much bray little."

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Elder James Q. Sones with his two oldest daughters, Edna and Dora. This picture was taken in the front yard of the old home at Sones Chapel in 1921.

This is the Thomas Jackson Mitchell family. Seated: T. J. Mitchell and wife, Lourainy Henley Mitchell. Standing, left to right: Tommy, Peter, George, Ellen, Emeline and Roena. They were all early members of Sones Chapel Church.

"Happiness is a perfume you cannot pour on others without getting a few drops on yourself."

Emma Campbell, the youngest member of my father's family and at this date is the only surviving member (1975).

"If you think of nothing for which you can give thanks, you have a poor memory."

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This is a picture of Gideon R. Lumpkin and his wife, Elizabeth Hill Lumpkin. She was the daughter of Elder J. I. Hill, the first pastor and a charter member of Sones Chapel Church. Gideon served several years as deacon. He was ordained as Deacon on March 6, 1892.

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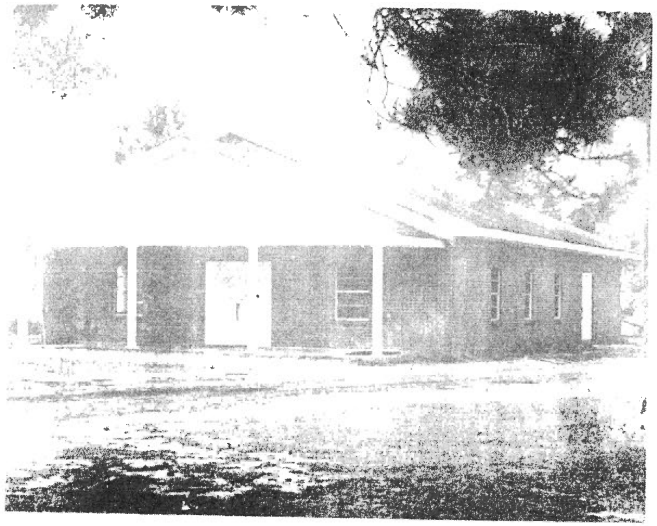
Peter R. Mitchell, who served as clerk of Sones Chapel Church for 35 years and for many years as clerk of the Hobolochitto and State Line Associations. He was blessed to live 96 years and was a close friend and co-worker in the church with Elder J. Q. Sones.

Elder J. M. (Jim) Stuart and his faithful companion. He was pastor of Pine Church for over 50 years. Bro. Stuart has probably preached to more people than any minister in this entire area.



Sones Chapel Church

Rev. Donnie Allums

Elder James Sones

Sones Chapel Baptist Church

The church is located three miles west of McNeill in the Sones Chapel Community. It was organized July 5, 1882 in a small log school house near its present site with the following charter members: Elder J. I. Hill, Mrs. J. E. Hill, Mrs. F. B. Sones, Lott Smith, Nancy Lee, Marion Smith and Helen Caroline Sones.

The church has carried on services continually since 1882 and has occupied five different buildings.

Sones Chapel Baptist Church tries to follow the same policies and practices of the First Baptist Church that Jesus Christ organized from the material prepared by John the Baptist, during his personal ministry here on earth. All phases of the church such as missions are supported by free will offering.

Elder Donnie Allums, of Bassfield, Mississippi, is the present pastor of Sones Chapel Baptist Church. From 1882 until the present the church has had 12 pastors serving from one to 47 years. Elder James Quitman Sones served the church as pastor for 47 years in succession, 1903-1950.

Regular services are held on Sunday morning, Sunday night and Wednesday night.

At the present time Sones Chapel Baptist Church has over 300 members. These are members who attend services regularly from Picayune, Poplarville, McNeill, Derby, White Sand and Bogalusa.

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This is a picture of the Kennedy's Creek School. This was a one teacher school located north west of Sones Chapel. From left to right back row: Ada Henley, Ellen Spiers, Birdie Newman, Ella Spiers, Zadie Spiers, Miss Ella Bell, Teacher, Nola Wheat, Annie Rester, Madie Rester, Will Wheat, Gertrude Cooper, Ed Newman, Victor Henley, Dora Wheat, Lourainy Spiers, Oneida Spiers and Carlie Wheat. This was the only type of public school in the rural areas until the consolidation movement in 1919.

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This is a picture of the one teacher school at Sones Chapel. It was located on Big Branch about three-fourths of a mile south of Sones Chapel Church. In the picture, left to right, is Edna Sones, oldest daughter of Elder J. Q. Sones, Miss Mable Evans, teacher, and Sarah Spiers, daughter of Wash Spiers who was Deacon and Sunday School Superintendent of Sones Chapel Church for many years. This photo was made by Thomas R. Sones in 1918. This was the first school that I and the other older children of Elder J. Q. Sones attended.

William B. Sones daughter Emma md
M. Vanderhurst 1-16-1832 mr
Washington A. Sones md Elizabeth Fletcher 7-22-1841
James Sones md Courtney A. Webb 10-20-1857

This is a picture of, from left to right, Louise Victoria Sones McClure, Elder James Quitman Sones, and Emma Virginia Sones Campbell. This picture of Elder J. Q. Sones and his only living sisters was taken May 16, 1948, near the old home in the Sones Chapel Community at the annual family reunion. Mrs. Emma Sones Campbell was selected as "Mother of the Year" in 1958 at Picayune. Miss Ernest May Stuart, in charge of the presentation, made the following complimentary remarks about Aunt Emma. "She has charm, grace, industry, intelligence, humility and above all she is a deeply religious, praying, God loving, God fearing, and Church going Mother."

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a dau married John Tyner before 1822
2 Henry Sones Sr.

FAMILY TREE OF JAMES QUITMAN SONES AND ALMA BALL SONES

Henry Sones, Sr. and (Wife unknown)
Children: These children were named in a will dated April 25, 1822 and filed for record at the Courthouse of Marion County, Columbia, Mississippi.

1. Sarah md Arthur Lott
2. Harriet - md James P. Harris
3. John Herrin
4. Benjamin
5. Francis B. married Martha Lumpkin
6. Martha Elizabeth
7. Andrew Jackson md Amelia Wallace 11-19-1841
8. Rebecca

Francis B. Sones and Martha Lumpkin
Children:

1. Benjamin J. married Helen Caroline Lee
2. Virginia Elizabeth married Thomas Lee

Benjamin J. Sones and Helen Caroline Lee
Children:

1. Florence Mintoria married W. W. (Sam) Mitchell
2. Francis Peyton married Edna Ball
3. Thomas Randal not married
4. Louise Victoria married Julius McClure
5. James Quitman married Alma Corrine Ball
6. John Portevie married Mary Jones
7. Leonard Kimball married Martha Lumpkin
8. Emma Virginia married Henry Campbell

James Quitman Sones and Alma Ball Sones

1. John W. Sones married Ella Marie Anderson
   Doris Ray Sones married Jimmy Harrison
   John Sones (1st wife) Betty Tynes
   (2nd wife) Francis Hoffman
   Carol Sones died at the age of three.
2. Edna Louise Sones married Jessie T. Smith
   Jessie T. Smith, Jr. married June Perkins
   George Louise Smith married Joseph Rankin Morris
   Francis Jean Smith married Lewis Murray
   James Byrd Smith married Billy Kirkland Hariel Smith
   Dorothy Rose Smith married James Smith
   Ben Smith married Beth Kirkland Smith
   Patsy Smith married Roland Rex Witsell

Henry Sones Sr
Probable other children not mentioned in will
Elizabeth married John Stovall 5-17-1815 mr Marion Co
Ruth married Daniel Clower 7-1815 mr Marion Co
1. Henry Jr. married Cynthia McGowen 6-2-1817 mr " "

3. Dora Lee Sones married Buford Walker
   Jimmy Walker married Linda Howard
   Joyce Walker married Turner Northern
   Jean Walker married Leon Rose
   Tommy Walker married Mary Smith
   Bobby Walker married Wanda King
4. Harry Benjamin Sones married Pearl Virginia Mitchell
   Joy Nell Sones married G. F. Knigge
   Barbara Ann Sones married Argil Burge
   Richard Mitchell Sones married Sylvia Lee
   Glenda Faye Sones married Edwin Eugene Penton
   Randy Byron Sones married Carol Faye Lee
5. Nelson Francis Sones married Christina Apperiche
6. James Carl Sones married Ethel Wells
   James Carl Sones, Jr. married Celecia Burge
   Martha Ann Sones married Jacob MeGehee
7. Harvey Harren Sones married Bonnie May Bodie
   Myra Ellen Sones married A. F. Gimble
   Bodie Sones (1st wife) Dianne Scott
   (2nd wife) Michelene Coliere
   Bonnie Elaine Sones married Edward Carter
   Harvey H. Sones, Jr. not married (Deceased)
   Harren Sones not married (Deceased)
8. Elmer Paul Sones married Lorene Dyer
   Larry Paul Sones married Kathleen Woodruff
   Jerry Wayne Sones married Phoebe Wooten
9. Glen Ellis Sones married Marie Mitchell
   Jane Sones (1st husband) Joseph Neal
   (2nd husband) Charles L. Kleinschmidt
   Judy Sones married Lonnie Beall
10. Willie U. G. Sones married Edna Earl Powell
    Dr. James Quitman Sones married Donna Kennedy
    William David Sones married Theresa Krone
11. Leo Virgil Sones married Laura B. Davis
    Virgil Thomas Sones married Elaine Thigpen
    James Quitman Sones (Deceased)
12. Mary C. Sones married Albert T. Andersen
    Dr. Willie Albert Andersen married Ellen Invernizzi
    James Benjamin Andersen married Ann Ferguson
    Mary Margaret Andersen (1st husband) Peter R. Smith
    (2nd husband) Howard Peacock
    John Michael Andersen Not Married
    Tom Brian Andersen Not Married

HARRIS, STOCKSTILL AND ALLIED FAMILIES

1

Rubie Monroe Harris
1 BORN 18 Jun 1932
AT Coahoma Co. Ms.
RES
AT Metairie, La.
MARR
AT

HUSBAND

Henri Mitchell Harris
2 BORN 1 Feb 1889
AT New Orleans La.
DIED 31 Oct 1959
AT Harrison Co. Ms.
MARR 31 Mar 1912
AT Wash. Parish La.

Margaret Aletha Stockstill
3 BORN 17 Sep 1892
AT Marion Co. Ms.
DIED 11 May 1955
AT New Orleans La.

Reuben Green Harris
4 BORN 17 Jan 1841
AT Smith Co. Ms.
DIED 28 Jul 1894
AT New Orleans La.
MARR 26 Sep 1867
AT New Orleans La.

Selina Monroe
5 BORN 28 Jun 1847
AT New Orleans La.
DIED 5 Oct 1903
AT New Orleans La.

William Warden Stockstill
6 BORN 15 Aug 1859
AT Hancock Co. Ms.
DIED 24 Apr 1940
AT St.Tann. Par.La.
MARR 28 Sep 1882
AT Hancock Co. Ms.

Margaret Abigail Tate
7 BORN 11 Mar 1859
AT Marion Co. Ms.
DIED 11 Dec 1945
AT St.Tann. Par.La.

Henry J. Harris
8 BORN 1 Feb 1822
AT Marion Co. Ms.
DIED 15 Jan 1898
AT Tampa, Fl.
MARR 29 May 1839
AT Smith Co., Ms.

Nancy Maria Rogers
9 BORN circa 1818 (?)
AT Tenn.
DIED 18 Dec 1896
AT Centreville, Ms.

John Tompkins Monroe
10 BORN 6 May 1822
AT Howard Co. Mo.
DIED 23 Feb 1871
AT Savannah, Ga.
MARR 11 Sep 1845
AT New Orleans La.

Rebecca Isadora Shepard
11 BORN 12 Jun 1826
AT New Orleans La.
DIED 13 Feb 1889
AT New Orleans La.

David Warden Stockstill
12 BORN 4 Oct 1830
AT Marion Co. Ms.
DIED 21 Aug 1913
AT Pearl R. Co. Ms.
MARR 27 Nov 1857
AT Hancock Co. Ms.

Telitha Margaret Mitchell
13 BORN 18 Nov 1842
AT Ms.
DIED 26 Jun 1928
AT Pearl R. Co. Ms.

Thomas Willis Andrew Jackson Tate
14 BORN 30 Sep 1828
AT Amite Co. Ms.
DIED 9 Mar 1904
AT Pearl R. Co. Ms.
MARR circa 1850 (?)
AT Hancock Co. Ms.

Mary Matilda Byrd
15 BORN 9 Nov 1827
AT Marion Co. Ms.

James P. Harris
16 BORN circa 1790 (?)
AT S.C.

Harriet Pinkney Sones
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Reuben Rogers
18 BORN circa 1792
AT Albemarle Co. Va

Frances Pyrant
19 BORN
AT

Daniel Munro Jr.
20 CONTINUED ON PAGE 3

Elizabeth Copeland (widow Barnett)
21 BORN circa 1800
AT Mercer Co. Ky.

William Shepard
22 BORN 26 Sep 1779
AT Carteret Co. N.C

Ann Moore (widow Hill)
23 BORN 25 Aug 1793
AT Baltimore Co.Md.

Thomas Jeremiah Stockstill
24 BORN 8 Jan 1804
AT Baltimore Co.Md.

Harriet Warden
25 BORN circa 1809
AT Va.

John M. Mitchell
26 BORN 25 Feb 1798 (?)
AT La.

Lavina West (widow Murray)
27 BORN 20 Feb 1806
AT Ms.

James Tate
28 BORN 8 Mar 1782
AT Spart'burg S.C.

Margaret Abigail Holden
29 BORN circa 1793 (?)
AT Laurens Co. S.C.

Sherrard Byrd
30 BORN 7 Jun 1784
AT Sumpter Co. S.C.

Prepared by:

Rubie Monroe Harris

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SMITH, Cecelia about 28 yrs.old bp 5/31/1869
D James Smith & Molly ?Weat
Sps-H A DeMoranguie & Annette A ??
H.Leduc,Priest BB 1 p 230 A 1468

SOHL, Anne born 12/28/1863 bp 4/25/1863
LD John Sohl & Martha ?Hallin
Sps-C Hoffman & Mrs. Ev.Saucier
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S John Sohl & Martha Harder
GF Manuel Munez GM Mrs. M. Munez
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SOHL, Martin born 9/7/1857 bp 9/19/1859
Son of John Sohl
GF Martin Weinberg GM Helene Hescher
F.Lutte, Priest of the Congregation
of the Holy Redeemer
Bap. Bk. 1 p 71 Act 523

SOLDENI, Jean Isilly Ovile b 11/11/1867 bp 11/29/1867
LS Antoine Soldeni & Aspasie Bourgeois
GF Auguste Bourgeois GM Celina Carver
H.Leduc,Priest BB 1 p 149 A 987

SONES, Benjamin D. about 19 yrs.old bp 12/14/1858
Son Benjamin Sones & Rebecca McArthur
S.Buteux,Priest BB 1 p 65 A 476

SONES, Elisa 24 years old b 11/23/1834 bp 7/1/1859
D Benjamin Sones & Rebecca McArthur
S.Buteux,Priest BB 1 p 69 Act 513

SONES, Marie Jeanne born 2/2/1866 bp 7/9/1866
LD Raimond Sones & Andrienne Bordage
GF Jean Bordage GM Marie Saucier
H.Leduc,Priest BB 1 p 136 A 915

SPILLA, Emmanuel Lorenzo b 10/10/1866 bp 1/16/1867
LS George Spilla & Francoise Baitille
GF Emmanuel Perella GM Caroline Pevery
H.Leduc,Priest BB 1 p 143 A 950

SPOTORNO, Andre Joseph born 2/13/1861 bp 12/1/1861
LS Louis Spotorno & Charlotte Catherine Garibaldi
GF Joseph ?Chernidliss
GM Angeline Bozetto
H.Leduc,Priest BB 1 p 93 Act 643

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15 Sep 1981 (CEC)

Snider, Stanley Robinson III, 17,St Louis #3 NO
26 Oct 1976 (CEC)

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Socola, E. A Dr., 112 Oak, Waveland (Ph 48)

"Sojourner Place". Mr Cullen sold Cedar Point Palatial dwelling and purchased "The Sojourner Place" on Main St. No ref except SCE.

Somers, Rev. Richard. 228 S. Beach. (1968 ph.)

Sones, B. First mayor of BSL after name change in 1875.
(?SCE Jub. 1942 pg 27) Jubilee special edition

Sorbonne, The.
Opened in 1870 by the Brothersf on the property "between Hancock and Union streets", the schooo became very popular. Brother Stephen Hanlon served the school for 25 years. Because of his long flowing white beard the boys gave him the nickname of "Rip" and consequently the schoool became known as "Rig's University". he was a strict disciplinarian and had two famous sticks: "Licorie", the two foot stock of a buggy whip and "Molasses", an eighteen inch ruler so called because of its color. He retired in 1915 and died 4 Feb 1921 and is burried in the little cemetery located midway between the College and his beloved school. One of the stained glass windows in the church is dedicated to him. SCE Jubilee 1942 pg 12.

Soules, Mrs. Doris, 212 N. Bach (Ph 48,49)

Southern Bell Tel & Tel, 204 N. Beach (Ph 48,49)

Spanish "Customs" House. 707 S. Beach. Dr. Aikens home. It is doutful that it was ever used as a customs house, but it is dated from the late 1780's. Photo. BSL 100 pg. 30.

Spence, Carl Davis Sr. 63, Live Oak Cem. P C. 24 Jun 1982 CEC

Spence, Dorothy N. Miss., 525 Citizen (Ph 48)

January Term A.D. 1877

A meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen Elect of the City of Bay St Louis for the purpose of Organizing the Board according to the provisions of the Charter of said City was held at the City Hall in said City on Saturday the 6th day of January 1877.

Present the Honorable
Jesus Augusta St Tuall Mayor
Jesus T. J. Murphy
Jesus S. J. Bosetto
Jesus A. Campa } Members
Jesus R. Cuevas
Thomas Carver Marshal
B. Sones Secretary Pro tem.

This meeting of the Board for the purpose of Organizing as aforesaid was declared duly organized according to the provisions of the Charter of the City of Bay St Louis and prepared for business.

On motion of T. J. Murphy to appoint the Officers for said City duly seconded and carried by the Board.

It was ordered by the Board that the Officers be now elected and appointed and after battoting for the election of the different Officers of the City, His Honor the Mayor announced and declared that the following named Officers were duly elected and appointed for the City during the ensuing term of Office to wit: Louis DePaole Marshal, George V. Johnston Assessor & Tax Collector, John Bordages City Treasurer, Benjamin Sones Secretary.

It was also ordered by the Board that the penalties of the Bonds of said Officers be as follows to wit: The Bond of City Marshal shall be $[illegible] The Bond of the Assessor & Collector shall be $2000.00 The Bond of the City Treasurer shall be $2500.00 and the Bond of the Secretary shall be $600.00 and all of said Officers shall present their Bonds and securities for approval at the next meeting of the Board on the 3rd day of January A.D. 1877.

On motion of T. J. Murphy seconded and carried by the Board it was ordered that Charles [illegible] be [illegible]

Bay St. Louis, Miss. April 18th

To the Honorable Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Bay St. Louis

The following are the returns of an election held in City of Bay St. Louis on the 5th day of April

Names of Candidates	Total	Majority
Mayor		
James A. Ulman	180	54
August Keller	126	
Aldermen 1st Ward		
Peter Ramond	73	
D. W. Bontemps	30	
Jesse Coward	54	
L. A. Prenas	143	71
2d Ward		
A. C. Thorn	116	
J. L. Morris	38	
C. E. Gardeblet	143	27
3d Ward		
Etienne Ladner	149	19
Thos. Walters	19	
John Dilman	130	
4th Ward		
August Campe	288	288
Secretary		
Geo. H. Combel	139	57
R. W. Toulme	51	
Ben Sones	62	
Chs. Strong	24	
Marshal		
G. W. Maynard	165	35
Ed. Graves	130	
Tax Collector		
J. B. Spor	127	

Ben Sones [illegible] April 18, 1886 [illegible] Tax [illegible]

Ben Sones family

Cedar Rest Cemetery

Bay St. Louis, Mississippi

RECORDED BY:

Hancock County Historical Society
P.O. Box 1340
Bay St. Louis, MS 39520

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CEDAR REST CEMETERY

For recording purpose, the cemetery has been divided into two sections:

NORTH: Beginning at the SE corner on Second Street, running South to the center opening with paved walk, a faucet in a bath tub, and thence West on a path to the opening on Toulme Street.

SOUTH: Beginning at the opening at Center (paved walk, faucet, etc) running South to Esterbrook Street, and thence West along the McDonald warehouses to Toulme Street.

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LEGEND

N= North
S= South
Rows and Spaces are denoted by numbers:
Example: Abraham, Effie G.; S21-7 = South side, Row 21, Space 7
Unk = Unknown grave; (name from files; source = county or city newspapers).

ROW 10 (con'td)

Slab Plot
15. Edward Jones, 1869-1957
16. Ruby Mary Jones, 1868-1947

17. Sarah C. Mitchell
9-29-1837; 2-4-1920

18. August Taconi
19. Ida Taconi
20. Laura America Morel

21. Headstone broken; 2 concrete flower pot crosses

22. Peter Carver, 2-21-1822; 1-17-1901

Slab Plot
23. Dudley Carver, 4-2-1866; 6-7-1932
24. Edmond Carver
3-1-1849; 2-13-1923

25. Mary Nazile Bourgeois (Carver) wife of Peter Carver
10-16-1871, age 45 yrs

26. Percy Schmertz, 1892-1955

27. Unmarked; top of headstone gone

Slab Plot
28. Henry Seube, 1881-1945
29. Rita Seube, 1882-1958

30. Slab, unmarked, si
James Wienberg; baby 2 yrs.

ROW 11

1. Anthony Paul Mioton
US Army WW I 1896-1980
2. Jennie Kimmel Hill
9-1-1881; 1-28-1953
3. Sarah Hill Mioton
10-8-1907; 10-17-1969
4. Unmarked
5. Raymond Mioton, Sr., US Coast Guard
1-29-1923; 2-12-1980

Slab Plot
6. Earl Mioton, Miss Pfc 161 Inf. WWII
10-15-1910; 5-8-1945
7. Wellington C. Nunn
Texas 2nd Lt Sanitary Corp WWI
1-4-1892; 6-20-1952
8. Nell M. Nunn, 1887-1966

ROW 11 (con'td)

Slab Plot
9. Gertrude Favre Garvin Hanson
10-17-1900; 1-15-1960
10. Marie Araurelie Garcia Favre (moth
1871-1954
11. Lucien Joseph Favre, 1865-1940
(father)

12. Unmarked, si

13. Unmarked
14. "

15. Kenneth T. Knoblock, 1898-1946

Slab Plot, WOW headstone
16. Edward Heitzman, Sr. 1884-1947
17. Lottie R. Heitzman,
wife of Edward Heitzman
12-24-1891; 8-18-1973

19. Mrs. E. N. Baldwin, d=1-23-1876
20. J. H. Sones; d=10-1-1867
21. L. M. Sones; d=11-30-1864
22a. D. B. Sones, d=1-17-1858
Unmarked, si
b. Ben Sones
c. Rebecca McArthur Sones, wife of Ben Sones

Slab Plot
23. Margie Saucier Karl
2-23-1921; 10-21-1958
24. Unmarked
25. "
26. "

Crypt (bad repair)
27. Lucie Angelique Paganetto (Combel
wife of P. E. Combel
12-24-1833; 6-9-1857

28. Unmarked slab

29. Unmarked; evergreen tree in corne
30. "
31. "
32. "

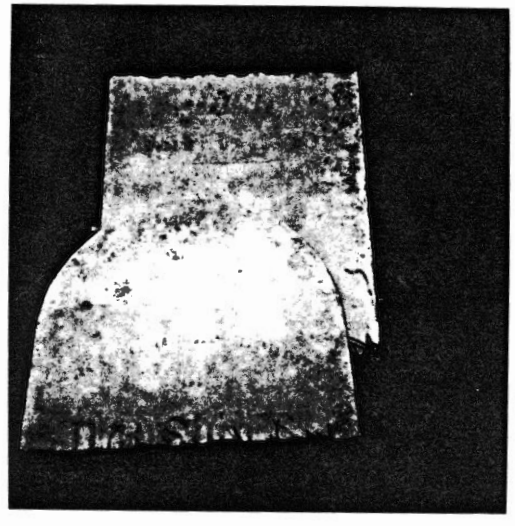
Slab plot
33. Gilmore J. Carver
Ms Pvt Co D 20 Engr WWI
1-9-1889; 8-27-1963
34. George Washington Carver
1855-1917
35. Helen Marie Carver
1860-1936

Solomon, Robert Mark; N4-1a
Robert Ramsey; N4-1b
Sones, Ben; N11-22b
D. B.; N11-22a
Floyd F.; S12-18
J. H.; N11-20
L. M.; N11-21
Louis H.; S12-17
Rebecca McArthur; N11-22c
Soto, Juan A.;Colon; N15-38
Spence, Florence; S8-37
Robert E.; S8-38
Stechman, Edris C.; S15-1
Theodore Sr.; S15-2
Stepney, L; S29-34
Stiglet, John; S12-3
Lillie A.; S12-4
Stoltz, infant boy; S3-10
Olga Albertine; S3-11
Straughan, Emily Alice; S19-2
Strong, Albert; S2-27
* Charles M.; S2-29
Cora; S2-41
Edward L.; S7-41
Louise C.; S2-28
Sidonia; S7-40
William D.; S2-40
Urith; S2-39
Summers, George; S8-45c
Maurice; S8-45a
Maurice's wife; S8-45b
Sylvester, Allyne I.; S26-21
Cornelia Colly; S26-25
Amanda; N29-4
Donna Speer; S25-18
Eliza; S27-3c
Emily M.; S26-19a
Herman; N28-3
James H. A.; S26-20
Howard Monroe; S23-13
Mrs. Howard Monroe; S23-12
J. H. (James Howard ?); S26-24
Lawrence; S27-8
Mary; S27-3d
Milton Robert; S26-22
Oneida; S27-3b
Oswald, Leo; S26-23
Susan Patrick; S25-19
Walter Agee; S25-17
Wallace Russell; S26-16
William O. Sr.; S25-16
William O.; S25-12

*Strickland,Nancy; S15-24a

Taconi, August; N10-18
Anita Robert; S20-7
brother; N1-18
brother; N-19
Charles P.; S20-6
Ida; N10-19
James A.; S5-9
Joe Jr.; S5-10d
John; S5-10a
Mary Frances; S5-8
Myrtle A.; S5-7
Nemoie; S5-10b
Ruth; S5-10c
Tait, Venie H.; N7-8
William W. N7-9
Talbert, Blaine; S27-26
Oswald George; S31-30
Wilbert B.; S31-27
Talbot, Estella; N5-35
George Jr.; N5-36
Tanguie, Beatrice B. Favre; N24-2
Tartavoulle, Carl Marshall; N27-19b
Elsie Bourgeois; N13-2b
Eva Favre; N12-1b
Gus A. N12-1a
Herbert J.; N13-2a
Stella E.; N27-19a
Tarver, Alf; S26-11
Taylor, Kenneth C.; S40-30
Telhiard, Gaston; N7-20
Ida A.; N13-18
L. Marcel; N13-17
Myrtle McGinty Saucier; S15-22
Raoull; N7-17
Mrs. Raoull; N7-19
Thibeaux, Elmer L.; S23-15b
Wilmer John; S23-15a
Terrell, R. W.; N22-7b
Thomas, Albert I.; S4-14
Gustave D.; S4-13
Gustave Daniel; N15-11
Isaac; S29-5a
Thompson, Anna H.; S7-4
Charles Q.; S7-3
Euphrosine; N15-10
Josephine Bangard; S14-24
M. A.; N15-9
* Mae Luc; S4-12
Thurston, Harry Joseph S13-18
Tillman, Murray; S35-37
John P.; S16-8
Tirado, Consuello; S29-31
George; S29-30

*Capt. William Sunderland; Unk



Cedar Rest
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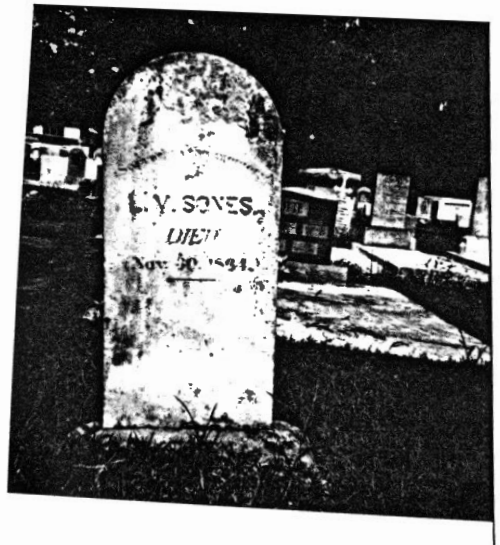
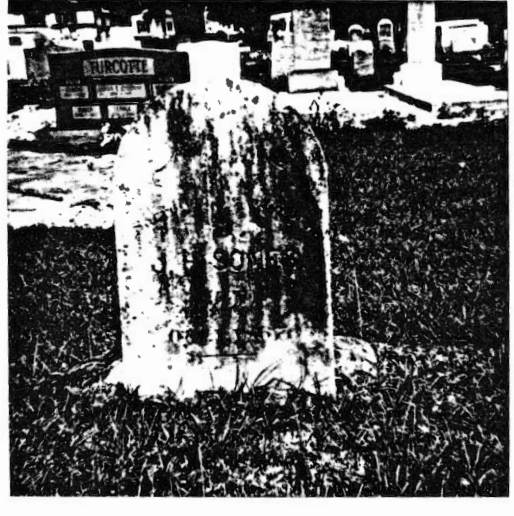
Sones plot





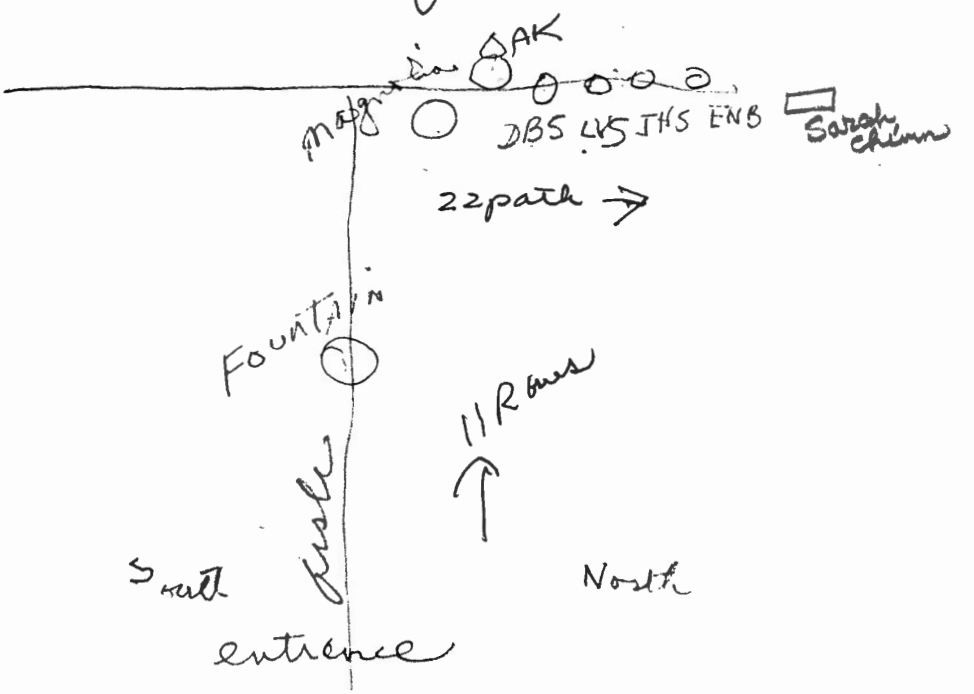
Mary Fisher
with the
Wainwrights

① Sacred to the memory of
Mrs E.N. Baldwin d. Jan 23, 1876

② Sacred to the memory of
J. H. Sones d Oct 1, 1867

③ Sacred to the memory of
L. M. Sones d Nov 30, 1864

4) Sacred to the memory of
D. B. Sones d Jan 17, 1858



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4817 York # 226
Metairie, La. 70001
16 Apr 1991

Dear Jean,

I hope my name is familiar to you. I was in the Pascagoula library with Mary Fisher a few weeks ago and at the seminar. I asked you about Mayor Ben Sones of Bay St. Louis and my unsuccessful attempt to find his day of death and you said you would help me with the problem.

I am sending a copy of my ancestor chart. You may want to put it in your files. All my mother´s ancestor´s were in that part of Hancock county which became Pearl River co. My Harris And Sones lines were in Marion co 1818. I might mention that the lines of Sones, Stockstill, Tate and West are documented with First Families of Mississippi, should anyone be interested. My Rogers line was in Monroe co 1830 and Smith co. 1840.. The Monroe and Shepard lines were in New Orleans.

Now to Mayor Sones. Mary Fisher and I have been working on this family for 6 years and I am sending a computer print out for background on this family from 1800 census of Sumpter co., S.C. who came to Ms. 1817 where Ben Sones´ father, Henry Sones Sr. died in Marion co 1822 and named Ben in his will as well as my ancestor, Harriet Pinkney Sones Harris. He owned land on both sides of Pearl River about 6 1/2 miles N.W. of Columbia.

Mayor Ben Sones was married to Rebecca MCArthur and lived on Toulme St. in Bay St. Louis. It is within walking distance of the courthouse. They are buried in Cedar Rest Cemetery which is one block from courthouse. I am sending info on that cemetery, pictures of the stones and plot and instructions on how to find it along with the inscriptions. I mentioned to you that August and Ida Taconi were buried on top of Ben and Rebecca. I will get into that in a minute.

Now the Sones family when they were in S.C. were Baptists. There is a Sones Chapel Baptist church this day up near Carriere and a number of Sones vital records are there. I am told there was no Baptist church around Bay St. Louis at the time Ben Sones was there, so I went to the Catholic church right on the beach. I am sending copies of the records relating to the family. Notice that Mrs. Ben Sones died in 1897 and I have copy of her obit from the "Progress" newspaper. It was officiated by a Catholic priest. This is what bugs me. Why can´t I find Mayor Sones´ date of death in Catholic records? I know the Sea Coast Echo did not exist during that time. I don´t think the "Progress" existed in April of 1886, which is the last date I have located him alive. Mary Fisher thinks there may have been some newspaper in Gainsville during that time, but I have not dug into that. It occurred to me that Ben might have been a Mason, however I don´t think the Catholic church would baptize his children in that case. One of his sons, Lott Sones, was

killed in the Civil War. That obit appears in the New Orleans Times Picayune. The obit says his body was sent from Tennessee where he was killed and Ben Sones brought a "Most Reverend" Somebody from New Orleans to Bay St. Louis to officiate at the funeral. Why did he do this? Why does Ben´s son have an obit in New Orleans, and he doesn´t? Of course Ben Sones was not the mayor at the time of his death, he was secretary.

I went through the minutes from the meetings which show Ben getting elected mayor and being alive as secretary in 1886, this on microfilm in Hancock co library. There must be some way to find out more exactly the date of death that I don´t know about. I think I mentioned to you that Mary Fisher and I want to have a grave marking ceremony and some publicity for the Hancock co. Genealogical and Historical Society. We are in touch with Mrs. Jane McAbee of Georgia who is a direct descendant through the daughter, Sarah Chinn. Sarah´s grave has a pillow marker and not included in the photos I am sending.

The rest of the Sones in the Bay area are not direct descendants but through Ben´s siblings like myself. There are a couple of old folks named Wainwright who were very helpful to me and Mary. They know for a fact that the Taconi family is on top of Mayor Sones. They have been living in Waveland for many years and were there in 1946 which is about the time the Taconis died. All those Sones over there knew Ben had been mayor and been to cemetery and seen Ben and Rebecca´s tombstones. Yes, they had them at one time. When they go back, the tombstones are gone and fresh graves there. At one time there was an iron bench there and an Earl Sones took it to his home for safekeeping as there was vandalism and he is alive and still has the bench.

Jean, if you can help me find out when Mayor Sones died I would be most grateful. His descendant, Jane McAbee would be thrilled no end. I will get in touch with her and Mary and come up with some money to pay for your time. Maybe you can come up with something quickly with creative thinking. We have been into it so much we can´t see the forest for the trees! I think it is an interesting story. I don´t think it will make Taconi descendants to happy to know an ancestor removed tombstones and buried kin on top of the mayor! There may be something at Ms. Dept. of A. and H. I don´t know. Ben was also a Judge of some court, I think probate, but not sure.

You don´t have to write me a long letter. You can just call me in the evening here in Metairie at (504)455-4340. Call collect station to station as I live alone. If you get my answering machine just leave a message and I will get back to you. I am enclosing a check for the time to read through this and get a handle on the problem. I do appreciate your willingness to help on this project.

Sincerely, Miss Rubie Harris

Rubie

P.S. Haven't checked tax list to see last time paid Taxes on Tolme St. property. It wasn't sold until after Rebecca died

4817 York #226
Metairie, La. 70001
July 21, 1991

Dear Jean,

Thank you for your letter of the 13th and for your willingness to help me find out when Mayor Ben Sones of Bay St. Louis died.

I did receive a call from Jerry Heitzman. He knew Jane McAbee of Thomaston, Ga. to be a cousin of his on his McArthur line. He had not contacted her for 10 years and said he would get back in touch with her. I am sending you a copy of Jane Cook McAbee's lineage which connects to Ben Sones and the line which we have back to New Kent co, Va in 1666. One thing which bugs Jane is why Ben Sones named his daughter Sarah CHINN. We thought that may have been the maiden name of Henry Sones Sr. wives who were sisters up in Sumpter co., S.C. There was a China family there, but no kin, so this Chinn name in Hancock co. remains a mystery.

Thank you so much for the info from the Biloxi Herald placing him living on March 3, 1888. I did not have this. At least we know the mayor died between 1888 and 1897 when his widow Rebecca McArthur died.

Too bad Ben Sones wasn't a Mason. Many of my ancestors were. My great-grandfather, John T. Monroe, Mayor of New Orleans during the Civil War was 33rd degree. His son in law, Reuben G. Harris might be in your book as he was from Woodville, Ms. My ancestor, James Tate has a Mason emblem on his tombstone. My ancestor Sherrard Byrd had a lodge name after him in Poplarville. My father was a past High Priest. My kin were it seems all Royal Arch Masons. I can't afford to buy your book, but perhaps Anne Anderson has bought a copy and I can get copy of pages of interest to me.

Right now I am working on my lines of Joshua Stockstill and William and son Littleberry West who were early settlers in the Natchez district having gotten early land grants. They appear in St. Helena parish, La. for a while before their descendants appear around the Picayune area. I filled out papers for First Families of Mississippi on them and they have been accepted as well as Henry Sones Sr. I stay very busy.

Thanks again for your help. Let's keep in touch.

Sincerely,

Rubie

Rubie Harris

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JANE MCABEE LINE TO HENRY SONES 1

Prepared by: MARY FRANCES SMITH FISHER

1 FLORENCE JANE COOK, b. 2 Mar 1931 in ATLANTA, GA, re. in 310 MAGNOLIA, THOMASTON, GA, ma. 5 May 1951 in VALDOSTA GA, GENEAL.

2 O. E. "GENE" COOK, occ. GOLF PRO, b. in ATLANTA, GA, d. circa 1953 in ANNISTON, AL, bu. in WESTVIEW CEM., ATLANTA, GA, ma. circa 1929 in ATLANTA, GA.

3 FLORENCE LACY, b. 2 Jan 1908.

6 W. Z. LACY, d. in BIRMINGHAM, AL, bu. in ELWOOD CEM., BIRMINGHAM, AL, ma. circa 1905 in BIRMINGHAM, AL.

7 SARA SONIE CROCKETT, b. 25 Mar 1886 in NEW ORLEANS, LA, d. 9 Jun 1924 in ATLANTA, GA, bu. in WESTVIEW CEM., ATLANTA, GA.

14 DAVID P. CROCKETT, occ. CONTRACTOR, b. 29 Mar 1859 in ALABAMA, d. 11 Jun 1920 in ATLANTA, GA, bu. in WESTVIEW CEM., ATLANTA, GA, ma. circa 1880 (?) in NEW ORLEANS, LA.

15 FLORENCE LEE MITCHELL, b. 25 Aug 1862, d. 21 Mar 1949 in ATLANTA, GA, bu. in WESTVIEW CEM., ATLANTA, GA.

30 WILLIAM GREEN MITCHELL, occ. STEAMBOAT CAPT., b. 29 May 1833 (?), d. 14 Nov 1920 in ATLANTA, GA, bu. in WESTVIEW CEM., ATLANTA, GA, ma. circa 1859 (?).

31 SARAH CHINN SONES, b. 29 Sep 1837, d. 4 Feb 1920 in ATLANTA, GA, bu. in CEDAR REST CEM, BAY ST LOUIS, MS.

62 BENJAMIN SONES, occ. JUDGE-MAYOR, b. circa 1808 (?) in SOUTH CAROLINA, d. circa 1882 (?) in HANCOCK CTY MS, bu. in CEDAR REST CEM, BAY ST LOUIS MS, ma. circa 1833.

63 REBECCA MCARTHUR, b. circa 1817, d. 8 Feb 1897 in HANCOCK CTY MS, bu. 9 Feb 1897 in CEDAR REST CEM, BAY ST LOUIS MS, OBIT.

124 HENRY SONES SR., b. circa 1760 in NORTH CAROLINA, d. circa 1823 in MARION COUNTY MS, bu. in MARION COUNTY MS, pr. 24 Mar 1823 in MARION COUNTY MS, ma. circa 1797 (?) in SUMTER COUNTY SC, PROBAT, ref: SONEH767.

125 MARY UNKNOWN SONES.

126 JAMES McARTHUR, b. circa 1772 (?) in NORTH CAROLINA, d. after 1850 in MISSISSIPPI.

127 CELIE LOTT, b. circa ~~1819~~ Wrong (?), d. after 1885 (?).

248 UNKNOWN SONES, d. before 1780 (?), ma. before 1761 (?).

249 NAOMI CLADER/VAUGHAN, b. circa 1736 (?), d. 24 Jul 1819 in HIGH HILLS, SUMTER COUNTY SC, ref: VAUGN736.

498 UNKNOWN CLADER, d. before 1747 (?), ma. before 1735 (?).

499 FRANCES WADDILL, b. 2 May 1706 in ST. PETER'S PR, NEW KENT CTY VA, ref: WADDF706.

998 WILLIAM WADDILL, b. before 1666 (?), d. Apr 1740 (?) in NEW KENT CTY VA, ma. before 1690 (?) in NEW KENT CTY VA.

999 SUSANNAH NOEL.

1,996 JOHN WADDILL.

1,997 AGNES UNKNOWN WADDILL.

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Carl C. White, Auditor of Public Accounts and Pension Commissioner of the State of Mississippi

APPLICATION FOR PENSION

FORM No. 1—WIDOWS
MARRIED PRIOR TO 1866
For $1.00 Per Day

Application of Widow of Soldier or Sailor of the Late Confederacy, Under H. B. 11, 1928.

Application must be filed in duplicate with the Chancery Clerk on or before the first Monday in September of the year in which application is first filed.

(Applicant must answer all of the following questions.)

Q. 1. What is your name? Answer Mrs.Helen Caroline Sones

Q. 2. What is your age? Answer 85 years.

Q. 3. In what state and county do you reside? Answer State of Miss.,Pearl River County.

Q. 4. How long have you resided in Mississippi? All my life

Q. 5. What is the name of your postoffice? Answer Carriere,Miss.,Rt.1

Q. 6. Are you a bona fide resident of the United States and of the State of Mississippi?
Answer Yes. (Yes or No)

Q. 7. What was your husband's name? Answer Benjamin J.Sones

Q. 8. When were you married? Answer March 30,1865.

Q. 9. Where were you married? Answer Hancock County,Miss.

Q. 10. Have you since remarried? Answer No. (Yes or No)

Q. 11. Are you an inmate of the Beauvoir Soldiers' Home? Answer No (Yes or No)

Q. 12. Was your husband a bona fide citizen of the United States and of the State of Mississippi?
Answer Yes. (Yes or No)

Q. 13. What was the date of your husband's enlistment? Answer 1862.

Q. 14. Give place of his enlistment. Answer Hancock County,Miss.

Q. 15. Give names of officers of his company, regiment or vessel?
Answer Capt.Jim Miller;-W-Monette,1st.Lieut.--Steed's Battallion.

Q. 16. Was he ever discharged from his command? Answer No.

Q. 17. If so, for what cause? Answer None (Yes or No)

Q. 18. Was he in active service at the surrender in 1865? Answer No;he was sick at home on furlough.

Q. 19. If not, why? Answer Sick of Pneumonia. (Yes or No)

Q. 20. What is your net income? Answer None

"I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I am a widow of a Confederate Soldier or Sailor (as the case may be); that he was honorably discharged or paroled, or did not desert from the Confederate service (as the case may be); that I reside in this State; that the statements set forth in the application are true and correct as the applicant verily believes; so help me God."

(Signature of Pensioner) Mrs. Helen Caroline Sones

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 2nd. day of April, 1931

W T Rouse, Chancery Clerk.

AFFIDAVIT—We, the undersigned, certify that the facts stated in the above application are true and the applicant is the identical person named in the said application.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 2 day of April, 1931

H K Rouse
(Signature of Officer) Chancery Clerk

Thomas J. Stockstill
(Signature of Witness)

H D Stewart
(Signature of Witness)

(Signature of Witness)

(Signature of Witness)

NOTE—Must be attested by one or more creditable witnesses.

Mrs. Helen Caroline Sones
(Signature of Applicant)

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 2 day of April, 1931

H. K. Rouse
(Signature of Officer) Chancery Clerk

OFFICE OF CHANCERY CLERK AND COUNTY BOARD OF INQUIRY Pearl River COUNTY

Poplarville, MISS., April 6, 1931

We, the undersigned members of the Board of Inquiry, hereby approve the foregoing application of Mrs. Helen Caroline Sones for pension because we believe the facts stated in the application are true and the party should receive a pension.

Given under our hands and seal of office, this 6th day of April, 1931

J. F. Selph (Seal)
President of Board.

Leopold Locke (Seal)
Attorney.

Willie F. Pearson (Seal)
Veteran of World War.

Nolos Ladner (Seal)

W Pimp Smith (Seal)

Jack Smith (Seal)

(Seal)

H K Rouse (Seal)
Chancery Clerk.

ATTEST: H K Rouse, Chancery Clerk.
(Attach Seal of Office)

N. B.—If the Board approves this application, the Chancery Clerk will so certify, after recording the same in a book kept for that purpose and forward all of the approved applications in a body to the Auditor's Office by the first day of October

No application forwarded after that time can be received.

PENSION APPLICATION

Pearl River County

Name of Applicant Mrs. Helen Caroline Sones

Postoffice Carriere, Miss., Rt. 1

No of Application 1

FORM No. 1—WIDOWS

Special Instructions to Chancery Clerk:

No application will be entertained unless made on the proper form and every blank in the form properly filled out.

Filed Apr. 2, 1931
H K Rouse
Clerk

HEDERMAN BROS., JACKSON, MISS.

MINUTES OF PENSION BOARD OF INQUIRY, PEARL RIVER COUNTY, MISS.,
APRIL TERM, 1931.

State of Mississippi,
Pearl River County.

BE IT REMEMBERED That the Pension Board of Inquiry of Pearl River County, Mississippi, met in regular session on Monday, the 6th day of April, 1931, in the Chancery Clerk's office of said County, in the Courthouse, in the Town of Poplarville, Miss., it being the time and place designated by law for the holding of said meeting. There were present and in attendance the following members of said Board, to-wit: John F. Selph, President, member from Dist. No. 1; Nelos Ladner, member from Dist. No. 2; Joel Smith, member from Dist. No. 3; W. Pink Smith, member from Dist. No. 4; W. F. Pearson, member from the County-at-large, a World-War veteran; Leopold Locke, County Attorney; H. K. Rouse, Chancery Clerk. Absent: J. Lenoard Stockstill, member from Dist. No. 5.

Application of Mrs. Helen Caroline Sones.

The application of Mrs. Helen Caroline Sones for pension under FORM 1-Widows-coming on to be considered by the Board, and it appearing that the said application is in regular form and that the proof submitted is sufficient to justify a pension under the Pension Laws of 1930, and that the applicant is entitled to a pension:
It is, therefore, ordered that the said application of Mrs. Helen Caroline Sones be and the same is hereby approved and allowed in Class No. 1--Widows--for $1.00 per day.

Order Restoring Names of Pensioners to Pension Roll.

Whereas, heretofore the following named pensioners of Pearl River County have been admitted to the Beauvoir Soldiers' Home, to-wit: Mrs. N. C. Warden, Mrs. Sarah Kendrick ~~and Mrs. Ida Davis~~; and,
Whereas, the said pensioners have been discharged from the said Home by the Superintendent, evidenced by an honorable discharge certificate, and have requested this Board to restore them to the pension roll of this county:
It is, therefore, ordered by the Board that the name of Mrs. N. C. Warden ~~Davis~~ be and the same is hereby restored to the Pension Roll of this County in Class No. ~~3~~--Widows; that the name of Mrs. Sarah Kendrick be and the same is hereby restored to the Pension roll of this County in Class No. 2--Widows; ~~that the name of Mrs. N. C. Warden be and the same is hereby restored to the Pension Roll of this County in Class No. 1--Widows.~~

Adjourning Order.

There being no further business to come before the Board, it is ordered that the Board adjourn for the term.

President.

H K Rouse

Chancery Clerk.

(Carbon Copy)

Over

THE WOLF AT THE DOOR.

The approach of winter brings both good and bad. Chill winds sweep down from northwestern prairies. Cold and dreary rains drip down from frowning leaden colored skies. But along with the discomforts of wind and weather come the joys of long and happy evenings around the warm bright fires of cheerful homes, the hospitable welcome of tables loaded with the honored viands that belong by right of age—long custom to the time of frost and snow. Winter brings the regal turkey, and all his train—the diplomatic oyster, the ornamental celery, the substantial plum pudding, and the mechiavellian mince pie. On the wings of the blast from arctic regions comes the wild goose and ducks by thousands flock southward to bring joy to the huntsman's soul. But with the wild fowl comes the tramp and he is indissolubly associated with all that makes winter welcome as well as all that makes it feared.

He lurks about the windows from which stream the lights of household fires. He skulks darkly about the back doors while the odors of the baked meats mingle with the frosty air. He lays wait for the cook in the falling twilight and takes toll of the morning buckwheats and the evening roast. If grim dogs and determined men appear he cringes pitiful and appeals humbly for charity. If timid women only are on the guard his truculent face and threatening manner terrify them into granting the food he insolently demands. He is the daily dread of the weak and unprotected—a true wolf at the door, cowardly and cringing to the strong, cruel and merciless to the helpless. Charity is a part of the beautiful nature of women: but its abuse by these sturdy vagabonds who throng southward with the winter is a great and growing evil to the times, and there is no reason why the store of honest men should be taxed for the support of idle and dangerous marauders.—Greenville Times.

BENEFIT FOR THE CONVENT.

At present writing, indications are that the benefit entertainment tendered by the St. Stanislaus' boys to St

OFFICIAL.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN.

A regular monthly meeting of the board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Bay St. Louis, was held at the city hall on Saturday, December 7, 1895, at 10 a. m.

Present: Hon. A. G. Pieri, mayor; L. H. VonGohren, James G. Fayard, Peter Raymond and F. H. Egloff, aldermen; Geo. W. Maynard, marshal; Richard Mendes, secretary.

The minutes of last meeting were read and approved, with the following amendment: "That the motion in reference to the Ring property, shall read, 'will be transfered,' instead of 'which has been transfered.'"

Mrs. Rebecca Sones presented a bill, claiming $10 for 7 feet of land used by the city by a former board. Matters was discussed, and on motion of Alderman Egloff, seconed by Alderman Raymond, it was tabled.

The reports of the officers were read and handed their respective committees for investigation and were subsequently reported correct and ordered spread on the minutes.

The treasurer's report was as follows:

CITY FUND.

Nov. 2, To bal last report		$ 52 84
" 26, J B Ioor, R W No. 166, taxes		335 24
" 30, J B Ioor, R W No. 169, taxes		351 46
Dec. 5, G W Maynard, R W No. 172, licenses		93 82
Dec. 5, R Mendes, R W No. 173, road tax		10 00
Dec. 5, R. Mendes, R W No. 174, reg deaths		3 00
Dec. 5, R Mendes, R W No. 175, reg births		2 50
		$848 86
Dec. 7, by warrants to board	$779 03	
" " R C Engman 2½ per cent com on $796 02	19 90	$798 93
Balance on hand		$ 49 93

SCHOOL FUND.

Nov. 2, bal last report	$322 65
" 18, J F Cazeneuve, R W No. 118 poll tax	9 70
Nov. 26, J B Ioor R W No. 168 taxes	23 95
" 30, J B Ioor, R W No. 171 taxes	25 11
	$381 41
Dec. 7, warrants to board	$365 00
R C Engman, 2½ per cent	

Too Dead to Stink.

Editor Biloxi Herald:

If there is any one thing that I like better than any other one thing it is good, wholesome, vigorous Anglo-Saxon; especially when it is loaded with great fat gobs of truth.

Your editorial "The Senatorship," in last week's Herald, is refreshing. It reminds me of a time, during the war, when I ran up on Myrtle Spring, in Texas, after having been for three days drawing my water supplies from the crawfish holes on the prairie.

Have that article printed on a thousand posters, in big, red letters, and plaster the walls of the State capitol with them on the first Monday of January next. The incoming legislature has it in its power to do a great work for the Democratic party.

If I had a fifteen year old boy who knew enough to matriculate in the Biloxi high school, and who could not see that free silver had been the cause of Democratic defeat, I would apprentice that boy to a soap factory.

One who cannot see that the free silver fizzle is too dead to stink is about as competent to legislate for an intelligent people as the chief of the Pottaw tomies would be to occupy the throne of the British empire.

Anyone who wants to see and can not see that if we reign in '96 we have got to reign on Cleveland lines, has not discernment enough to trace the milky way on a clear, frosty night.

The Mississippi legislature can, by sending John M. Stone to the senate, do for the Democratic party what no other state is in a position to do. Is the legislature big enough to rise to the occasion? We will see. M. A. McCLAUGHERTY.

Peacon Grove, December 4, 1895.

Card of Thanks.

I desire in this manner to publicly return grateful thanks to Mr. P. Chauvet, and Mesdames Randolph, Turner, Kimbal, Bourgeois, Stravapodi, Ladner, Tacont, Pavalini, Adams and a host of others, who cheerfully lent their aid and assistance during the illness of my wife.

JACQUES PUCHEU.

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Rebecca Sones

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Mary Sylvester-Real Estate
Son-Henry Sones $300
Brother-Noel Vaughan $300
relationship not noted-Elizabeth Spears, widow of Mason Spears
$300 (see 1799? Judgement Book C, Page 16 under Naomi's file)
Slaves to be sold and divided as follows:
1/4 to grandchildren William Sones, Henry Sones Jr. and
Polly or Mary Tyner (Mary was the wife of John Tyner)
1/4 to grandchildren John Bates and Martha Gay (children of
Mary Sones & James Bates)
1/4 to grandchildren Joesph H. and Mary Sylvester
1/4 to daughter, Martha Gibson & her children Joseph H. and
Mary Sylvester (Is Martha Gibson the same as Patsy Hampton)
Niece: Elizabeth Dubose use of house until grandson Joseph H.
Sylvester becomes twenty one years old.
Nephew: William Vaughan, son of Noel Vaughan
Other property-not mentioned divided equally between my two grand
children Joseph H. and Mary Sylvester
signed: Naomi Hampton (her mark)
Witnesses: Elizabeth MacNair
Louisa M. Tyon
Elizabeth M. Roberts
Recorded Will Book AA, Page 196
Sumter County SC - Bundle 48, Package 4

1823 MISSISSIPPI-MARION COUNTY
Henry Sones died ca 1822 in Marion County. His will is recorded
in Orphan Court Records A (1812-1827), Pages 222-228.
WILL OF HENRY SONES, SR.
Dated 25TH APRIL 1822
Quotes from will of record:
"Estate, both real and personal to be equally divided and
distributed by my Executors between the following children to
wit,
Sarah Lott
Harriett Harris
John Horrin Sones
Benjamin Sones
Francis B. Sones
Martha Elizabeth Sones
Andrew Jackson Sones
Rebecca Sones"
Will of Henry Sones, Sr. cont.
"each and every of my older children having-----their full
proportion share or apportation --- of my Estate before
the making and publishing of this will"
"Appoint, constitute and ordain my beloved son-in-laws, John
Tyner and Arthur Lott, Jr. Exectors."
Signed-Henry Sones, Senior
Witnesses: Simeon Duke, Gilbert Stovall and George H. Dashner
This will was probated in the March Term of the Orphans Court
held 24th March 1823.

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James Phillips, Judge of Probate

Orphan Court Records A (1812-1827), Page 235
Appraisal of his real & personal property by William Mellon, & G. Stovall 28th April 1823 recorded 29th April 1823
Value $1,626.00

Orphan Court Records A (1812-1827), Page 239
Sale of property 31st May 1823, recorded 26th June 1823
Sold for $1,493.12 1/2
Note: Item bought by Mrs. Sones (wife of Henry Sones, Jr.?)

Orphan Court Records A (1812-1827), Pages 338-339
Accounting of fund by Henry Sones, Jr. balance due to legatees $1,050.78 1/2 in 1824.

1823 MISSISSIPPI-MARION COUNTY
Orphan Court Records 1823-1832, Page 3.
Here we have a list that includes the older children mentioned: "It is therefore ordered by the Court that Citations be issued to William B. Sones, Francis B. Lenoir (husband of Naomi Sones), John Tyner (husband of Mary or Polly Sones), Henry Sones, Jr., Arthur Lott, Jr. (husband of Sarah Sones), and James Harris (husband of Hariett P. Sones) the parties concerned to appear at the next term of this Court".

1830 MISSISSIPPI-MARION COUNTY
Orphan Court Records 1825-1831, Page 174
An accounting by Henry Sones, Jr. dated 1st Oct. 1830 bal $1,388.

Orphan Court Records 1825-1831, Page 256
Martha Sones now Martha Neal, John H. Sones and Benjamin B. Sones now of age, Rebecca Sones living with Arthur Lott, Jackson Sones living with guardian, Francis B. Sones is still under age but has left without leave and gone to Pearlington, Miss.
dated 8th June 1831, recorded 16th June 1831

AUTOBIOGRAPHY OF REV. HENRY J. HARRIS (grandson of Henry Sones, Sr.)
Located at the Methodist Archives, Millsaps College, Jackson, Miss.
from transcript by J. B. Cain, and verified by copy of the orginal

"I was born of humble parentage at the town of Columbia, Marion County Mississippi February 1st 1822, my father's name was James Harris, my mother's maiden name was Harriet P. Sones. They were both natives of South Carolina. I do not know the District. My maternal grand parnets were among the Carolina settlers on Pearl River some six or eight miles north of Columbia on the east side of the river. My mother was the youngest daughter and the youngest child but two of her father's by his second marriage. His wives were Sisters."

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ADDED NOTE MSF:
I read the "but two" to mean two children younger by the second wife, and since from Henry's will and later census reports it is known that there were six children younger than Harriet, it is possible that there were three wives. I believe the younger children were listed from oldest to youngest in the will.
Thanks must go to Rubie Harris and Jane McAbee, who locate Sones information at an amazing rate, for sharing information with me.

He married, first, UNKNOWN UNKNOWN SONES, circa 1786 (?), in SUMTER CTY SC. Died, after 1793 (?), in SUMTER CTY SC. Children:

+ 28 i. MARY E. "POLLY"[6].
+ 29 ii. WILLIAM BRADFORD.
+ 30 iii. NAOMI.
+ 31 iv. HENRY JR.

He married, second, MARY UNKNOWN SONES, circa 1797 (?), in SUMTER CTY SC. Children:

32 v. SARAH. Born, circa 1798 (?), in SUMTER CTY SC. She married ARTHUR LOTT JR., 12 Nov 1817, in BOOK A, P 145, MARION CTY MISS.
+ 33 vi. HARRIET PINKNEY.
34 vii. JOHN HORRIN. Born, circa 1805 (?), in SC. He married HESTER FERRIS, 17 Jun 1834, in BOOK 2, P 108, LAWR CTY MISS.
+ 35 viii. BENJAMIN.
+ 36 ix. FRANCIS B.
+ 37 x. MARTHA ELIZABETH.
+ 38 xi. ANDREW JACKSON.
39 xii. REBECCA. Born, circa 1820 (?), in MARION CTY MISS.

15. MARY[5] SONES (NAOMI[4], FRANCES[3], WILLIAM[2]). Born, circa 1765.

She married JAMES BATES, 7 Jul 1790, in CLAREMONT CTY, SC. Children:

40 i. MARTHA[6]. She married JAMES GUY, before 1819 (?).
41 ii. JOHN.

16. MARTHA "PATSY"[5] HAMPTON (NAOMI[4], FRANCES[3], WILLIAM[2]). Born, 22 Aug 1785, in HIGH HILLS, SUMTER CTY SC. Died, 17 Aug 1856, in GADSDEN CTY FL. Burial in WEST END CEM., QUINCY, FL.

She married (ibid.), first, JOSEPH SYLVESTER, 11 Feb 1802 (?). Children:

42 i. JOSEPH H.[6].
43 ii. MARY.

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She married (ibid.), second, JAMES GIBSON, 28 Jun 1814. Died, Nov 1861, in GADSDEN CTY FL. Burial in WEST END CEM., QUINCY, FL. Children:

44 iii. JOHN HAMPTON. Born, circa 1824. He married JULIA DONALDSON.

18. NOEL[5] VAUGHAN (NOEL HUTCHENS[4], FRANCES[3], WILLIAM[2]) (ibid.). Died, circa 1848, in SUMTER CTY SC. Prob of Est: 3 Jun 1848, in SUMTER CTY SC.

He married (ibid.) HANNAH UNKNOWN VAUGHAN (ibid.). Died, circa 1850, in SUMTER CTY SC. Prob of Est: 27 May 1850, in SUMTER CTY SC. Children:

45 i. JAMES HENRY[6] (ibid.).
46 ii. CHRISTOPHER D. (ibid.).
47 iii. MARY E. (ibid.).
48 iv. CHARLOTTE A. BRADFORD (ibid.).
49 v. SARAH W. ALLEN (ibid.).

21. UNKNOWN[5] VAUGHAN (HENRY[4], FRANCES[3], WILLIAM[2]) (ibid.). Died, before 1809.

He married an unknown woman. Children:

50 i. RICHARD[6] (ibid.).

25. HENRY[5] VAUGHAN JR. (HENRY[4], FRANCES[3], WILLIAM[2]) (ibid.). Died, circa 1814, in SUMTER CTY SC. Prob of Est: 2 Jun 1814, in SUMTER CTY SC.

He married (ibid.) MARGARET UNKNOWN VAUGHAN ANDERSON (ibid.). Children:

51 i. FINETTA JULIA[6] (ibid.).
52 ii. HENRY III (ibid.).
53 iii. VERMIELLE (ibid.).
54 iv. MARY M. (ibid.).
55 v. JOHN A. (ibid.).

27. JOHN[5] VAUGHAN (HENRY[4], FRANCES[3], WILLIAM[2]) (ibid.). Died, circa 1800, in SUMTER CTY SC. Prob of Est: 12 Nov 1800, in SUMTER CTY SC.

He married (ibid.) JANE UNKNOWN VAUGHAN (ibid.). Children:

56 i. JOHN JR.[6] (ibid.).
57 ii. EUGENIA (ibid.).

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28. MARY E. "POLLY"[6] SONES (HENRY SR.[5], NAOMI[4], FRANCES[3], WILLIAM[2]). Born, circa 1787 (?), in SUMTER DIST SC (named in Will of grandmother, NAOMI CLADER SONES HAMPTON). Died, before 1860 (?), in MARION CTY MISS. Burial in TYNER CEM., MARION CTY MS.

She married JOHN TYNER, son of ARTHUR PEARCE TYNER and ELIZABETH UNKNOWN TYNER, circa 1813, in SC. Born, circa 1792, in GEORGETOWN D SC. Died, after 1860, in MARION CTY MISS. Children:

+	58	i.	SARAH ELIZABETH[7].
+	59	ii.	MARY ANN.
+	60	iii.	JOHN PEARCE.
	61	iv.	RANSON. Born, circa 1820 (?), in MARION CTY MISS.
+	62	v.	AMANDA ROBERT.
	63	vi.	HENRY ARTHUR. Born, circa 1828 (?), in MARION CTY MISS. Died, Jun 1849, in MARION CTY MISS.
+	64	vii.	JAMES MARION.

29. WILLIAM BRADFORD[6] SONES (HENRY SR.[5], NAOMI[4], FRANCES[3], WILLIAM[2]). Born, circa 1787 (?), in SC (ibid.). Died, after 1860 (?), in SCOTT CTY MISS.

He married MARY D. COLLINS, daughter of DAVIS COLLINS, 26 Jan 1812 (?), in SUMTER CTY SC. Born, 7 Feb 1792, in SUMTER CTY SC. Died, 22 Nov 1858, in SCOTT CTY MISS. Children:

+	65	i.	EMMA AMELIA[7].
+	66	ii.	WILLIAM HENRY.
+	67	iii.	THOMAS SYLVESTER.
	68	iv.	MARY J. Born, circa 1831 (?), in MARION CTY MISS.
	69	v.	EDWARD S. Born, circa 1832 (?).
+	70	vi.	CARY D.
+	71	vii.	GEORGE W.

30. NAOMI[6] SONES (HENRY SR.[5], NAOMI[4], FRANCES[3], WILLIAM[2]). Born,

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1791, in SC. Died, circa 1866, in HANCOCK CTY MISS. Prob of Est: 31 May 1866, in WILL BK A, P11, HANCOCK CTY MISS.

She married FRANCIS BARNES LENOIR, 7 Sep 1808, in SUMTER CTY SC. Died, 12 Aug 1834, in NEW ORLEANS, LA. Children:

72 i. AMANDA F.[7]. Born, circa 1814 (?), in MISS. She married HEZEKIAH? HOWARD.
\+ 73 ii. MISSOURI A.
74 iii. A. GOMAN SIDNEY. Born, before 1824 (?), in MISS.
\+ 75 iv. LOUISIANA W.
76 v. MARY BILLUPS. Born, circa 1826 (?), in MISS. She married BOLIVAR RANDALL, after 1850 (?), in HANCOCK CTY MS.

31. HENRY[6] SONES JR. (HENRY SR.[5], NAOMI[4], FRANCES[3], WILLIAM[2]). Born, circa 1793 (?), in SC (ibid.). Died, 28 Sep 1853, in LAWR CTY MISS.

He married CYNTHIA MCGOWAN, 2 Jun 1817, in BOOK A, P 140, MARION CTY MISS. Born, circa 1799 (?), in GA. Died, before 1854, in LAWR CTY MISS. Prob of Est: 1854, in LAWR CTY MISS. Children:

77 i. ROBERT H.[7]. Born, circa 1825 (?), in MISS.
78 ii. HUGH M. Born, circa 1833 (?), in MISS.
79 iii. JAMES M. Born, circa 1835 (?), in MISS.

33. HARRIET PINKNEY[6] SONES (HENRY SR.[5], NAOMI[4], FRANCES[3], WILLIAM[2]). Born, 1800 (?), in SUMTER CTY SC. Died, 1 May 1873, in HINDS CTY MISS. Burial in CLINTON CEM., HINDS CTY MISS.

Information on this family was provided by Rubie Harris, 4817 York # 226, Metairie, LA 70001. She is a descendant of Harriet Pickney Sones Harris.

She married, first, JAMES P. HARRIS, 1 Mar 1821, in BOOK A, P 195, MARION CTY MISS. Died, 1831. Children:

\+ 80 i. HENRY J.[7].

She married, second, HILLERY MOSELEY, 20 Jul 1834, in BK 1, P 348 D#2, HINDS CTY MISS. Born, circa 1805 (?), in VIRGINIA. Died, circa 1877 (?), in HINDS CTY MISS. Burial in CLINTON CEM., HINDS CTY MISS. Children:

81 ii. S. E. Born, circa 1837 (?), in MISS.
82 iii. H. M. Born, circa 1839 (?), in MISS.
83 iv. JOHN T. Born, 3 Feb 1840, in HINDS CTY MISS. Died, 19 Feb 1879, in HINDS CTY MISS. Burial in CLINTON CEM., HINDS CTY MISS.
84 v. F. M. Born, circa 1845 (?), in MISS.

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85 vi. S. Born, circa 1846 (?), in MISS.
86 vii. ROBERT. Born, circa 1848 (?), in MISS.

35. BENJAMIN[6] SONES (HENRY SR.[5], NAOMI[4], FRANCES[3], WILLIAM[2]). Born, circa 1808 (?), in SC. Died, circa 1882. Burial in CEDAR REST CEM, BAY ST LOUIS MS. Occupation: JUDGE-MAYOR. 1886

The information on this line was received from Mrs. Jane McAbee, 310 Magnolia, Thomaston, GA. She is a descendant of Benjamin Sones.

He married REBECCA MCARTHUR, circa 1833. Born, circa 1819. Died, after 1885. Burial in CEDAR REST CEM, BAY ST LOUIS MS. Children:

87 i. ELIZA[7]. Born, circa 1835 (?). Died, 23 Jan 1876. Burial in CEDAR REST CEM, BAY ST LOUIS MS. She married E. N. BALDWIN.
+ 88 ii. SARAH CHINN.
89 iii. D. BENJAMIN. Born, circa 1840 (?). Died, 17 Jul 1858, in HANCOCK CTY MISS. Burial in CEDAR REST CEM, BAY ST LOUIS MS.
90 iv. LOTT MCARTHUR. Born, circa 1841 (?). Died, 30 Nov 1864, in HANCOCK CTY MISS. Burial in CEDAR REST CEM, BAY ST LOUIS MS.
91 v. J. HENRY. Born, circa 1844 (?). Died, 1 Oct 1867, in HANCOCK CTY MISS. Burial in CEDAR REST CEM, BAY ST LOUIS MS.

36. FRANCIS B.[6] SONES (HENRY SR.[5], NAOMI[4], FRANCES[3], WILLIAM[2]) (HARRY BENJAMIN SONES, JIM THE BAPTIST 1876-1954). Born, 28 Aug 1814, in SC. Died, 7 Jun 1875. Burial in FAMILY CEM., SONES CHAPEL, MS.

He married MARTHA LUMPKIN (ibid.). Born, 14 Oct 1814, in GA. Died, 7 Nov 1902. Burial in FAMILY CEM., SONES CHAPEL, MS. Children:

+ 92 i. VIRGINIA ELIZABETH[7].
+ 93 ii. BENJAMIN J.

37. MARTHA ELIZABETH[6] SONES (HENRY SR.[5], NAOMI[4], FRANCES[3], WILLIAM[2]). Born, circa 1815 (?), in MARION CTY MISS.

She married JACOB NEAL, before 1831 (?). Children:

94 i. MARY[7]. Born, circa 1839 (?).

38. ANDREW JACKSON[6] SONES (HENRY SR.[5], NAOMI[4], FRANCES[3], WILLIAM[2]). Born, circa 1820 (?), in MARION CTY MISS. Died, circa 1884 (?), in HANCOCK CTY MISS. Burial in SONES CHAPEL, PEARL R CTY MISS.

Information on this line provided by Mrs. Theresa

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F. Crump, 703 East Zipp Road, New Braunfels, TX.
She is a descendant of Andrew Jackson Sones.

He married, first, AMELIA "MILLY" WALLACE, 19 Nov 1841, in BOOK C, P 25, MARION CTY MISS. Born, circa 1820 (?), in MISS. Died, before 1876. Children:

	95	i.	MARY[7]. Born, circa 1844 (?), in MARION CTY MISS. She married JOHN O. BREWER, 14 May 1870, in HANCOCK CTY MISS.
	96	ii.	MARTHA. Born, circa 1844 (?), in MARION CTY MISS. She married WILLIAM M. COOPER, 12 Jul 1870, in HANCOCK CTY MISS.
+	97	iii.	HENRY.
	98	iv.	N. Born, circa 1846 (?).
+	99	v.	BALEY CHAMPLIN.
+	100	vi.	FRANKLIN BENJAMIN.
+	101	vii.	WILLIAM M. "JOE".

He married, second, CAROLINE OEVIA WILLIAMSON, circa 1876. Born, circa 1858. Children:

	102	viii.	SARAH MATILDA. Born, circa 1877 (?). She married BERNARD LUXICH, 22 Nov 1894, in HANCOCK CTY MISS.
+	103	ix.	ANDREW JESSIE.
	104	x.	ELIZA JANE. Born, after 1880 (?), in HANCOCK CTY MISS. She married DENNIS LUXICH.

FAMILY BACKGROUND

James Quitman Sones was the great grandson of Henry Sones, Sr. Henry Sones Sr. came to what is now South Mississippi from South Carolina about 1800. He and his family settled near Columbia on Pearl River. Henry had a large family — eight of his children were named in a will made by him and filed for record in the courthouse at Columbia, Mississippi on April 25, 1822. This was five years after Mississippi was admitted to the union as a state. He mentioned in the will that the older children had already received their part (they were not named). The eight children named in this will were: Sarah, Harriet, John Herring, Benjamin, Francis B., Martha Elizabeth, Andrew Jackson and Rebecca.

As the children grew up, they moved in different directions. Some of them moved south down Pearl River. Benjamin settled in what was later Hancock County. In fact, he served as a county officer in that county for several years. He represented Hancock County at the Constitutional Convention in 1832. He died and was buried near the courthouse in Bay St. Louis. Francis B., who is the grandfather of James Quitman Sones, settled on Hobolochitto Creek near what is now the Sones Chapel Community. Jordan Lumpkin had moved to this area from Georgia about the same time that Henry Sones, Sr. came from South Carolina.

Francis B. Sones married Martha Lumpkin, the daughter of Jordan Lumpkin. The other Lumpkin children were: Bill, Gus and Polly. Polly married John Wheat. Francis B. Sones and his wife Martha had two children; a son, Benjamin J. Sones and a daughter, Virginia Elizabeth Sones. Francis B. Sones was born in South Carolina on August 28, 1814 and died and was buried near Sones Chapel in a family cemetery in Hobolochitto Swamp on June 7, 1875. His wife, Martha Lumpkin, was born in Georgia on October 14, 1814 and died in Mississippi and was buried in the same cemetery by her husband on November 7, 1902. Her sister Polly was born March 17, 1817 and died March 6, 1915 and was buried at Henleyfield. She was blind for over 30 years.

Benjamin J. Sones was born at Sones Chapel May 15, 1841 and died there July 29, 1915 and was buried in the Sones Chapel Cemetery. His sister was born in 1836 at Sones Chapel and died near Nicholson in 1912 and was buried in Turtleskin Cemetery.

Benjamin J. Sones, was the father of James Quitman Sones, who met and courted Helen Caroline Lee before the Civil War (1858). In fact, they were engaged to be married

before he went off to war. Virginia Elizabeth Sones married Thomas Lee, the brother of Helen Caroline Lee.

Benjamin J. Sones went into the Confederate Army in 1858 at the age of 17. There were 83 others that enlisted in the service with him from this area. He and 34 other men returned, the other 49 were killed. He was in the Confederate Army seven years (1858-1865). When he returned home at the end of the war, he found his intended bride waiting for him. She was the daughter of Peyton and Anna Lee who lived on Catahoula Creek near Lee Town. Benjamin and Caroline were married on March 30, 1865 in the home of her parents — Benjamin was 24 and Caroline was 19. They had eight children, five boys and three girls named as follows: Florence Mintoria, Francis Peyton, Thomas Randal, Louise Victoria, James Quitman, John Portevie, Leonard Kimble and Emma Virginia.

The following poem written by Benjamin J. Sones is a brief account of his family history.

FAMILY RECORD

By Ben Sones

Children, I love to tell what I told when I was well,
Many days have gone by I'll try and not write a lie.
Heap of hard-ships I underwent and Many a dollar I have spent.
When I was ten, they called me Little freck face Ben.
When I was fourteen, I loved every girl I seen.
But Cally was the choice one, me and her had lots of fun.
Was a boy they called him Stockstill, I thought I'd have that boy
to kill. He was about to beat my time with Cal. I begin to think
I'd have to get me another gal.
When I reached the age of seventeen I joined something I'm
sorry I seen. I left my dear mother and father too. I was
sorry to have trouble I never knew. I left my sweetheart and with
her I surely hated to part. I'd think of her when far away.
I would cry when thinking of her rosy cheeks and little blue eyes;
and think of mothers place and fun I had at that old place,

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and
bullets flying over my head and did not know what minute I'd be
shot down dead. There was 83 went in with me. All that came
out alive was the pitiful sum of 35.
O the Blessed God did let me live, I feel my sin has now been
forgiven. When the time come for me to come home, I did enjoy
that good sweet milk and honey comb. But the greatest thing
of all, I got to see my gal that fall. Oh, I will never forget
the happy hour we spent, when to the old place I went. We
had been promised so long, when we met our love was strong. When
promised to be my bride, there wasn't long before the knot was
tied. Then my pleasures with the girls was done, I'd tied myself
by law to one.
In the year of 1865 the 30th of March we married on Catshots Creek,
and I brought her home that very same week. Then I commence you
see, to have my pleasures with Cally Lee. I worked and toiled to
raise potatoes and corn and next year there was a baby born. From
then on I worked so hard to keep Cally in corn, meat and lard I would
never loose an hour, to keep her in molasses, coffee and flour. When I
would plow, she would hoe that's the reason we had plenty you know.
Well as I remember in year '68, there was another baby born.
But thank the Lord I had fat meat and corn. Then I set in to
hauling logs and raising sheep, goats and hogs; then I begin
to take in the cash and living on turkeys and vinison hash
with sweet little children and loving wife. That rocked on several
years, and finally I got to catching furs. I'd been married
near eight years, then in year 1870 I had another boy born. He's
great to take pictures, but neglects his corn.
Then I got sick and had a bad spell, and the most of the

"The man who walks with God always knows in what direction he is going."

people thought
I'd never get well. Then in 1872 there was baby girl. We call her
Lou. I don't think she took after me. The good blood that's in her came from Cally Lee. Then my boys begin to grow, how I
made them work. The LORD does know. They would plow and scratch
up sand, do anything that come to hand. I lived to get over
my spell, but bless your soul, I never felt well.
Well, I remember was 1874 God added to my flock one more. And
one thing I'm glad to say, he preach of night and work of day.
And now you see in getting so old, it's great pleasure to me
to see him preaching and praying and saving of souls. Then
well as I remember, in the year '76, there was another one born
the year I made cotton, peas, and corn. He was always fond of
town, when an easy job could be found. He looks so fair
cutting beard and trimming hair.
In the year '75 was the year my father died. Good children I
hate to say that time with you ain't for away. As well as I
remember, another was added to my flock. Being he was the son
of old man Ben, his mother always called him Len. I don't believe
I tell any lies, if was to say he could not be beat a making
ties. Another thing I'm glad to say I'll be with his wife after
judgment day. Her Len does live in peace, and she could not be beat
raising geese; and she had pretty good luck gathering eggs from ducks.
I'm glad I'm still in this troublesome world. I'll brag about my
little baby girl. She is good and kind to me. I feel it came from Cally
Lee. O my children do sing and pray that we may all be together after
judgment day. Wrote by your old sick pa always treat everyone well. Pray
that none will go to hell. This Dear children you can see,

"People take your example far more seriously than they take your advice."

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"If you are not as close to God as you once were, make no mistake about it, you are the one who moved."

when I am cast
away from thee. Amen.

This good Cally Lee lived a life for all of we. She died May 21, 1935. She was buried May 22, 1935. Brother Jim Stewart preached the funeral at Sones Chapel Church. She was 89 years old, the last charter member of the church, the last child in her family. She had eight children, 47 grandchildren, 51 great grandchildren, and two great great grandchildren.

EARLY CHILDHOOD

James Quitman Sones was born in a log house located on Hobolochitto Creek in what was later called Sones Chapel Community on October 27, 1876. James was the fourth child, the third son of B. J. and Caroline Sones. His father made his living by cutting logs and floating them down Hobolochitto Creek and Pearl River to Gainesville and Logtown. He also farmed and raised cattle and sheep. Hunting and trapping fur-bearing animals, such as raccoons, opossum, mink, skunk, etc., was another means of making a living. These skins were carried to New Orleans to market.

B. J. Sones was also one of the earliest mail carriers in this area. He carried the mail by horseback from McClure, now called Tyler, and McNeill to Wheattown or Chinquapin Post Office which was located near the Crossroads on Chinquapin Creek near Pearl River.

In 1876, the year James was born, this area was covered with virgin pine timber and was very sparsely settled. Wild game such as turkeys, deer, squirrels, rabbits, etc. were fairly plentiful and were a common source of food. At this time the people had to go to Gainesville or Bay St. Louis to trade.

James, along with his four brothers and three sisters received their education in a one room log house located on the ground where the Sones Chapel Church is now located. In fact, the church was organized in this same building in 1882. James was six years old when the church was organized.

James had very little formal education. Public schools in his time only operated 4 months each year and qualified teachers were very scarce. However, he took full advantage

"Christians are like pianos, grand, square, upright, and are no good unless in tune with God.

of the opportunities that he had and received the equivalent of an eighth grade education.

James' mother was a very devoted Christian and was a charter member of Sones Chapel Baptist Church (1882). His father donated the land for the church and became a member in 1884. James was eight years old at this time. His father was a very strict disciplinarian.

When James was nine years old, he had typhoid fever which was a very common disease at this time. There were very few doctors and little medicine available to treat patients and many people died with this disease. James was seriously ill with this fever for several days and was given up as dead. He was actually laid out on what was called the "cooling board". After he had been laid out for several hours, he began to revive or show some sign of breathing. His folks began to work with him and his circulation began to improve. He gradually got better. Everyone who knew of this incident considered it almost like a miracle and the answer to prayer.

HOME LIFE

James Quitman Sones was very devoted to his wife and family. Family devotion was a regular part of the daily routine at home. This included reading scripture, singing and prayer. At mealtime, each one would quote a verse from the Bible before the blessing.

We lived on a farm and most of our food was produced on the farm. As I look back today at the large family that my father and mother raised (12 children) I wonder how they made it on the small income they had. My father worked on the farm and elsewhere all week and preached on weekends. My mother was an unusually hard worker. She not only did the cooking, sewing, cleaning and general housework, but also went to the fields to help with the crops. During the summer, she did a lot of canning and preserving of fruits and vegetables. She picked and canned many blackberries and huckleberries.

My father and his older boys cleared some new ground each year. We had a large yoke or pair of steers or oxen that we used to clear land. Their names were Barney and Spot. We also used them to plow and disk the ground as well as general hauling.

Another kind of work we did for a living as I was growing up was to cut pine wood and ship to New Orleans to the American Turpentine and Tar Co. We had a pair of

mules named May and June that we used to farm and haul wood to the railroad at Tyler. We also had a mare named Daisy. We used Daisy for a variety of uses. We used her as a plow horse on the farm and hauled wood with a single wagon. She was a very good buggy animal too. My father and the boys would go in the woods and cut fat pine wood (pine knots) and haul to Tyler, ramp it there until we got a car load, then load it in a box car to be shipped to New Orleans. This mare was given to my father by the people of the West Union Church Community. They also gave him a nice buggy. At that time church services were held in the Lumpkin School House. Later they built the West Union Church.

James Quitman Sones had the privilege and pleasure of baptising all of his 12 children on the following dates:

John Warren Sones	1898	1912	Age 14
Edna Louise Sones	1900	1910	Age 10
Dora Lee Sones	1903	1916	Age 13
Harry Benjamin Sones	1905	1916	Age 11
Nelson Francis Sones	1907	1920	Age 13
James Carl Sones	1909	1922	Age 13
Harvey Harren Sones	1911	1923	Age 12
Elmer Paul Sones	1913	1927	Age 14
Glenn Ellis	1915	1929	Age 14
Willie U. G.	1917	1930	Age 13
Leo Virgil	1919	1938	Age 19
Mary Corrine	1921	1935	Age 14

All twelve children are shown in the photograph below.

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EARLY AND LATER MINISTRY

At the age of 19, James Quitman Sones was baptized by Bro. A. M. Slaydon on October 20, 1895 in the Hobolochitto Creek and became a member of Sones Chapel Church. The following were also baptized at this time: L. K. Spiers, Violette Spiers, Nancy Spiers, Louisa Spiers, Franka B. Spiers and Roena V. Mitchell.

Francis Sones, James' oldest brother went over near what is now Angie, Louisiana to work with a Mr. Gann who had a timber, turpentine and mercantile business. He later went into business for himself and opened a general merchandise store at Angie. James went to work in the store as a clerk. Later Francis and James met the Ball sisters, who lived at Balltown, a community located on Pearl River about four or five miles from Angie, Louisiana. They were the daughters of John Warren Ball and Corrine Ball. James married Alma Ball on January 30, 1898. Elder C. P. Toney performed the ceremony. He was the grandfather of C. P. Toney, Jr. who succeeded him as pastor at Sones Chapel. Witnesses to the wedding were J. I. Ball and L. W. Ford. On November 6, 1898, their first child, a son, was born. He was named John Warren, after his grandfather.

On August 15, 1900, James Quitman Sones was licensed to preach by Sones Chapel Church. He served the church as clerk from 1901 to 1903. He began to preach on every possible occasion. On October 24, 1900, the second child, a girl, was born. They named her Edna Lou after his sister (Lou) and his wife's sister (Edna). On June 20, 1903, James Quitman Sones was ordained to the ministry by Sones Chapel Church. He was 27 years old at this time. The following ministers participated in the ordination service: Elder J. I. Hill questioned the candidate, Elder Newton Breland gave the charge, Elder Thomas Dossett, who was pastor of the church acted as Moderator. On February 23, 1903, the third child, a girl, was born. She was named Dora Lee.

In 1845 the Southern Baptist Convention was organized in Georgia. The influence of this organization began to be felt in the churches of this area about 1900. Up until this time, all the Baptist churches of this area were of the old time Landmark Missionary type.

James Quitman Sones had come up under the influence

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of such staunch ministers as Elder A. M. Slaydon, W. H. Varnado, Thomas Dossett, J. I. Hill, Marion Walters and others not mentioned. From 1882 until 1902, Sones Chapel Church worked in the Hobolochitto Baptist Association. Practices or doctrines began to creep into the different churches in this association that they considered not according to the scripture around 1900. On December 14, 1901, a committee was appointed by Sones Chapel Church to consider organizing a new association. The committee consisted of the following members: R. L. King, Quitman Breland, Add Bounds and James Quitman Sones. In October 1902, a new association was organized and was called "Peace and Union". Sones Chapel Church worked in this association until 1919 when the association united with the State Line Association.

At the age of 28, in August, 1904, James Quitman Sones was elected pastor of Sones Chapel Church. He pastored this church for 46 years. He was in the organization of Balltown Baptist Church and the Baptist Church in Angie, Louisiana.

At the age of 29, James was elected pastor of State Line Missionary Baptist Church in 1905. This is one of the oldest churches in this area, being organized September 27, 1856. This was five years before the Civil War began (1861 - 1865). Joseph E. Pounds was the first pastor of this church. J. Q. Sones was the fourth pastor and served the church for 23 years (1905-1928).

This old church is over 100 years old and has been subjected to much pressure to change to modernism and ideas of man, but by the help and grace of God they have been steadfast and unmovable and still contend for the faith once delivered to the saints. This writer was amazed when I had the privilege of reviewing the old minutes to find the original minutes so well written and preserved, even through the Civil War period. This church is still in the old Landmark Baptist ranks with Bro. Enos Branch as their pastor.

Elder James Quitman Sones was a very busy man in his later ministry. He was in much demand as a pastor and evangelist. He was never without a full pastorial load. During most of his time as an active minister, most of the churches only had preaching service one weekend a month. Usually the business meeting or conference was held on Saturday and regular church services on Sunday. For many

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"Christian service calls for a maximum of 365 days a year, not fifty-two."

years he preached to four different churches, one each weekend of the month.

For many years he served as Moderator for the State Line Association. He preached in many revivals in the churches of Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama. Many souls were saved as a result of the gospel he preached.

Elder James Quitman Sones was a minister who was very concerned about the lost. I have seen him shed many tears over his deep concern for the lost. His wife shared this concern also. When he would return home from a week's revival, one of the first things my mother would ask would be if he had a good meeting and how many were baptised. He has baptised as many as 40 at the end of a revival.

For many years he was the principal defender of the Landmark Missionary Baptist cause in this area. At times it looked very gloomy and discouraging. From a human standpoint, it was hopeless. However, the Lord gave him courage and grace to carry on. The Lord began to send young ministers into the work.

At the end of World War I, I remember the first time I ever saw Bro. Jim Stewart. He was visiting in our home not too long after he returned from the Armed Services. He and my father were discussing the Landmark Baptist cause. Bro. Jim Stewart had been called to the ministry before he went overseas to the war, but he did not fully surrender to the Lord's work until he returned from the war. No doubt the Lord was preparing him for the great work he had for him to do.

Bro. Stewart and my father counciled together and worked very closely for the next several years. As my father became less active due to his age and health, the Lord had prepared Bro. Jim Stewart as a leader and defender of the Landmark Baptist cause. He seemed to take over the place of leadership my father had been in for many years. The Lord wonderfully blessed the efforts of Bro. Stewart. Many souls have been saved as a result of his preaching and the Landmark Baptist cause has certainly made much growth during his active ministry.

"Really, it's not the hear but the heart that keeps folks away from church."

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"The man who walks with God always gets to his destination."

HIS PHILOSOPHY

This poem, entitled "SERMONS WE SEE" by Edgar A. Guest, is a good portrayal of the type of man James Quitman Sones was:

I'd rather see a sermon than to hear one any day,
I'd rather one should walk with me than merely show the way.
The eye's a better pupil and more willing than the ear,
Fine counsel is confusing, but examples are always clear.
And the best of all the preachers are the men who live their creed,
For to see the good in action is what everybody needs:
I can soon learn how to do it if you'll let me see it done,
I can watch your hands in action, but your tongue too fast may run.
And the lectures you deliver may be very wise and true,
But I'd rather get my lesson by observing what you do.
For I may misunderstand you and the high advice you give,
But there's no misunderstanding how you act and how you live.

He conscientiously tried to practice daily what he preached. The following is a brief summary of some of the Bible principles he taught and stood for:

(1) The Bible is the holy inspired word of God.
(2) Jesus Christ organized his church during his personal ministry here from material prepared by John the Baptist.
(3) He believed this was the one and only true church.
(4) He contended that immersion was the mode of baptism taught in the Bible. This was clearly taught by example by Christ when he was baptized in Jordan by John the Baptist.
(5) He believed in three persons in the God Head; God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Ghost or Holy Spirit.
(6) He believed that Christ gave all authority to his church.
(7) He taught and practiced feet washing as Christ taught by example and admonished his church to do. The article on this subject written by him in 1945 expresses his view on this practice.

"What is in the well of your heart is bound to come up in the bucket of your speech."

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"The only reason why so many are against the Bible is they know the Bible is against them."

(8) He believed the Bible taught salvation by grace.
(9) He believed the chief mission of the church was to carry the gospel to the lost world.
(10) He contended that God's ministers were divinely called.
(11) He was strong believer in the power of prayer. I have never known him to attempt to preach a sermon without kneeling for prayer.
(12) He was always supported by free-will offering.

This article was written by Elder J. Q. Sones and published in a Baptist paper in July, 1945.

FEET WASHING

Perhaps, there is no subject that is more unpopular, even among Baptists, than the subject of Feet Washing. But regardless of what we might think about it, it is in the Bible and a part of all the things that Jesus taught and practiced while here in the world. When Jesus had washed the disciple's feet, he told them that they ought to wash one another's feet. He said they ought to do it. Who has the authority to tell the church they ought not to wash one another's feet? There seems to be plenty of confusion among the brethren as to when and where it took place. It took place in the church, Mark 14: 13-25; Luke 22: 7-20; John 13: 2-17. It took place in a specially prepared place in Jerusalem, in an upper room, Mark 14: 15; Luke 22: 12. It took place after the supper was ended, John 13: 2.

It pointed to the service he rendered for us. He lived for us, he died for us. His precious life, a life of service was given. He humbled himself even unto death. Now he is going to leave his church and go back to the Father. He is showing his church that he wants them to serve one another. He has served all of them, now He wants the church to serve each other. Each child of God should serve where God calls him. We all have our work to do. We are to follow him. "If ye know these things happy are ye if ye do them. I have given you an example." Now the example is service rendered in humility and love. Our nature is to be masters and lords. But he was Lord and Master. We are servants. "He laid aside His garment." He showed them the lesson by coming down at the feet of his brethren and washing their feet. First we need to see the example and then learn what

"It is doubtful whether one can be good without being good for something."

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"If you are too busy to pray — you are much too busy."

is taught — then follow the example, and the life of service. May the Lord help us that we be not one-sided, but to be willing to do whatever Jesus taught and not to follow men unless they follow Christ.

Jesus said, "Take my yoke upon you and learn of me, for my yoke is easy and my burden is light." Be willing to let Christ master you, let him be your Lord, and try to get ignorant enough not to know any better than to do what Jesus said. Do not waste time trying to get out of doing what Jesus said do, as you can do. Instead you are trying to get out of it.

Should not we all speak the same thing, practice the same thing, and have fellowship 100 percent? I believe all the Bible from Gensis to Revelation, and Feet Washing is included and is a part of all things, as well as preach the gospel, support the pastor, support the missionary, clothe the naked, feed the hungry, visit the sick, loose the prisoners, and bear one anothers burden, and so fulfill the law of Christ.

Let the Holy Spirit lead you, and show you what to do.

J. Q. SONES

TO THE MEMORY OF ELDER J. Q. SONES

I, J. M. Stuart pastor of Pine Missionary Baptist Church by the help of God, desire to say a few things as I remember them concerning one of God's most loveable and faithful servants in the ministry, to wit Eld. J. Q. Sones:

He was pastoring four churches when I first came to know him, which were Sones Chapel, State Line and he also doubled over to serve Pine in with State Line. The other two Sundays he was pastoring Union Church in the north part of Bogalusa, which is now known as Union Avenue. That was in February, 1922, and from then on he was one of the most helpful and faithful friends in all my early ministry. He was so kind and brotherly. He traveled and was one of the faithful leaders of the then known as Landmark or Old Line Faithway Baptist, and continued to follow the old fathers.

He pastored his home church, Sones Chapel, above forty-six years, as long as his health would permit. At that time the Mission Work was small. He walked many miles and drove a horse and buggy and was carried to and from his churches several years in a buggy.

"In Christ we find a better life in this world and a better world in the next life.

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"If God be your partner, make your plans large."

God graciously blessed that dear faithful man to rear twelve children and he sent most of them through the higher schools of learning. They are today some of the finest citizens of our country. His oldest son, Elder J. W. Sones, answered the call to the ministry. He is now about seventy-five years old and has given the larger part of his life to the Mission Year. He also been true to the Landmark Baptist. God wonderfully blessed the life and work of Bro. J. Q. Sones and Bro. Sones' family was so wonderfully provided for, and God has encouraged my life through His faithfulness to Bro. Sones. In his lifetime he was the leading minister in our group of Baptists. Many people held him in high esteem, though they did not belong to his type of church. He made many sacrifices to preach the Gospel; but God graciously provided for him and blessed his family after he was carried home to God.

I can truthfully and joyfully say that God used him to bless my life. Everywhere he was known, he is still living on. I truly thank the Lord for my privilege to have known and worked with him.

I. Mrs. J. M. Stuart was saved at Hackley, La., when I was 12 years old. Immediately after that, my family moved back to Pine, where I was born. My father became a deacon of Pine Church, and Bro. J. Q. Sones became our faithful pastor. We children thought there was no other preacher as great as Bro. Sones. We loved and respected him as a father. We always looked forward to his coming to our home every fourth weekend. When I was 16 years old, he gave me some of the most wonderful advice, which has been a great blessing throughout my life.

Bro. Sones brought my husband to Pine Church and told me what a fine Christian young man he was. Bro. Sones had a great part in helping me to grow in the grace of God as a young Christian. Thank God for having been blessed to grow up under such a Spiritual Advisor.

TO THE MEMORY OF ELDER J. Q. SONES

In Memoriam

It is with much pleasure that we take this opportunity to write a few words dedicated to the memory of such a great man as was the greatly beloved Elder J. Q. Sones. I realize that he was just a mortal man who was not perfect,

"Happiness is a perfume you cannot pour on others without getting a few drops on yourself."

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"The devil is an artist. He paints sin in very attractive colors."

and I know that if he could speak to us today, even though his life and work like Enoch of old is yet speaking, he would say as we heard him say many times that what he was, it was by the grace of God. This was so true with him until on one occasion I recall when being present to help organize a church in Franklinton, La. where his son Elder J. W. Sones had worked as a missionary, Brother J. Q. Sones suggested the name "Grace" for the church, and thus we have Grace Missionary Baptist Church where Elder Ted Phillips is the present pastor.

It is my honest opinion that no one has been a greater blessing used of God to do more in his day and very few as much toward establishing the old time Faithway Landmark Missionary Baptist churches than Elder J. Q. Sones. More especially the churches here in southeast Louisiana and south Mississippi. The churches of the State Line Association, the Red Creek Association, the Black Creek Association, the Louisiana State Association and the Mississippi State Association.

No one who ever knew Brother J. Q. Sones and heard him talk or preach could ever have doubt as to what he was so far as church work was concerned. He was an old time Landmark Faithway feet washing Missionary Baptist. He was one who stood firmly against the salary system for support of the work of the Lord. He preached and practiced free will offerings, each individual purposing in his own heart as to how he would give. He stood for local church independence. Many a time in the various churches of our Associational work during my approximately thirty years association with him, I have heard the older people who knew him much longer and earlier than I did, relate some teaching or expression on some particular subject that Brother Sones had stood for or if it was wrong he stood against. It had a great bearing on their lives, as well as mine.

Elder J. Q. Sones was a leader among the old time Baptists. He was moderator of the present State Line Association for many years, loved and respected by all who knew him as a trusted, faithful and dependable minister and Christian gentleman.

About twenty three years ago when his health began to fail and he could not attend the State Line Association any more, it fell others of our lot to try to carry on in his absence the great work he was associated with. It was a

"God writes with a pen that never blobs, speaks with a tongue that never slips and acts with a hand that never fails.

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privilege to enter into the labors of he and others who preceded us. Our main purpose for this article is first to praise and honor the Lord for blessing us with such God loving and God fearing men as these and to refresh our minds by way of remembrance the great heritage they have left us. I am quite sure there are many young people who are Christians that do not remember Brother Sones. This is for your information also.

The Lord has blessed us with a wonderful work through these dear old people who struggled and denied themselves of many comforts in this world. The devil is fighting every way he can to try to divide, scatter and tear down, but God is calling more true ministers, saving souls and preserving his people. Thank the good Lord for such a wonderful God.

G. V. Hamilton

IN MEMORY OF THE LATE ELDER J. Q. SONES

By Elder Carl Sullivan

Bro. J. Q. Sones was one of the first Landmark Faithway Baptist preachers that I remember. He was one of the kindest and most unselfish persons I ever knew. He lived what he preached. He was very helpful to young ministers by always being ready to instruct and encourage them. He was certainly a blessing to me during my early ministry.

I was blessed of the Lord to help Bro. Sones in five revival meetings in succession at Sones Chapel Church while he was pastor there. Those are some of the times that I remember really enjoying being with him.

I felt that I was given one of the best honors I could have had when I was asked to preach the funeral of Bro. Sones, a man who contended for the faith through all his life and was a true follower of the Lord.

TO THE MEMORY OF THE LATE ELDER J. Q. SONES

By Elder Enos Branch

The first minister of the gospel that I knew when I was a little boy was the late Elder J. Q. Sones, of Carriere, Miss. When I was a small boy about five years old, 1918, my parents attended church service at old State Line Baptist church where Elder J. Q. Sones was the pastor, from about 1905 to 1928. The first impression he made upon me as a little boy was that I saw him as a holy man of God full of the Holy

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Spirit. I knew him to be a spiritual man, an humble servant of the Lord, dedicated to the service, sincere, full of compassion and love for the people of God and lost humanity. He preached the gospel in the Spirit of Christ, with compassion and tears. The first sermon that I can remember as a little boy was preached by him at Old State Line church on Saturday morning. He preached on the progress of sin in men's life and gave an illustration that I have never forgotten. He told how a little pig could crawl through a small hole in a fence but as the pig grew the hole in the fence would become larger just a little at a time. Then he told how a little sin in a person's life would grow unconsciously.

As I sat in the church, listening to him preach God would always touch my heart. His ministry affected my life for good as a growing boy. I can remember the last sermon he preached as pastor of State Line church. He wept, the congregation wept and I also wept. My mother who is still living at 82, loved Elder J. Q. Sones as her pastor. He was also pastor of a neighboring church, Carson Springs, from 1923 to 1936. After the Lord had called me into the ministry I had the privilege of assisting him in a revival meeting at Sones Chapel shortly before he passed from this life. He is still remembered by the people in these churches. I knew him as a dedicated servant who contended for the faith of our precious Lord.

IN MEMORY OF ELDER J. Q. SONES

By Elder E. S. Scarborough

Brother J. Q. Sones was a great man of God. I had some wonderful experiences with him. He was a staunch believer in the leadership of the Holy Spirit and the power of prayer. Once a young preacher had been invited to preach at his church and just a few minutes before service time he told Bro. Sones "I am empty and blank and have no message to preach." Then Bro. Sones told the young minister, "Let us go to God's filling station." So both of them went out, kneeled and prayed. When they arose, the young minister had a message, which he preached in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Bro. J. Q. Sones was a blessing to the cause of Christ and a firm believer in the word of God. I believe it could be truly said, "He fought a good fight. He kept the faith."

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"A Christian should so live that he would not be afraid to see the family parrot talking to the town gossip."

His memory is cherished by everyone who knew him. His friends loved him and even his enemies respected him.

E. S. Scarborough

JAMES QUITMAN SONES

In II Peter 1. 5-7 we read "And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge; and to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness; and to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity."

Of very humble parentage, having limited formal education but possessing a profound faith in God and His Son, Jesus Christ and a great zeal accompanied by the knowledge of God and the leadership of the Holy Spirit, my father, James Quitman Sones, strived to instill in each of his children that faith which was once delivered to the saints.

The greatest characteristic which was always evident in his life was love; love for God and His work, love for his family, his neighbors, his church and love and a forgiving heart toward his enemies.

The hospitality manifested in his home was unparalleled by any which I knew as a child or later as I, too, entered the ministry. Dad was never too busy to take out of the field or stop any task to help someone or even to have a chat with anyone. He enjoyed talking but he was a good listener, hence was a good counselor. His life belonged to others and was spent in the service of mankind. He lived the sentiments of Paul who said, "Love is the fulfilling of the law."

Though love was by far the outstanding virtue which he possessed, this same love enabled my father to add to his life many virtues which made him a full, rich Christian, one who was an example that we, his children, could gladly follow as he followed Christ.

Submitted by,
Elder John W. Sones

"Conscience is that still small voice that makes you feel even smaller."

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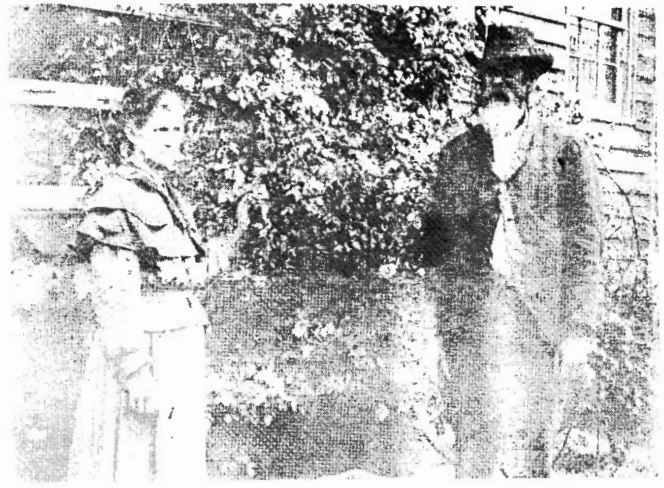
"No man ever repented Christianity on his deathbed."



This is Grandmother Mary Corrine Warren Ball and Grandfather John Warren Ball standing in the yard by their old home east of Angie, Louisiana on the Pearl River.

SUMMARY OF HISTORY OF SONES CHAPEL LANDMARK BAPTIST CHURCH

Sones Chapel Baptist Church was organized in 1882. This was during the trying times known in history as the reconstruction period following the Civil War. This was just 17 years after the war ended in 1865. Some of the early members had fought in this war. My grandfather, Benjamin J. Sones, an early member of Sones Chapel Church served seven years in the war. He gave the land to build the church on. The people were poor, travel slow and difficult and communications poor, so the people had to have a lot of courage, faith and the grace of God to carry on and erect a house of worship. This church will soon be 100 years old (1982). This is one of the few churches that made up the Hobolochitto Baptist Association that still carries on the same practices that it stood for when it was organized in 1854 or 1856. Old Palestine, the oldest church in Pearl River

"It is all right to have your own way provided you have accepted God's way as your own."

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County still carries on and stands for the same practices that it stood for in 1844. This was one of the original churches of the Hobolochitto Association.

There is not a church in the Hobolochitto Association today that stands for and carries on the same practices as these early churches. It is sad to think that if these old ministers like Bro. W. H. Varnado and Bro. A. M. Slaydon could come back today to some of the churches that they organized they would not be allowed to preach in these churches if they preached the same gospel as they did back then. How many churches could Christ get in today to teach or preach what he taught in the 13th Chapter of John?

Sones Chapel Church tries to follow the same policies and practices of the first Baptist Church that Jesus Christ organized from the material prepared by John the Baptist during his personal ministry here on earth.

Dates To Remember

1. 1882 (July 15) — Church was organized in small, one-room log school house.
2. 1894 The second church building was built of rough undressed pine lumber. This was also a one-room structure. It was built by the members.
3. 1897 New benches built for church.
4. 1898 June 23rd, first Sunday School organized.
5. 1901 Third church building occupied. This was a much larger, one-room building. The material was dressed, pine lumber.
6. 1907 First organ bought for the church.
7. 1946 Fourth building occupied. Dedication sermon by Elder Tom McDaniel. History read by Elder J. Q. Sones. This was a concrete block structure with Sunday School rooms.
8. Charter Members were:
   1. J. I. Hill
   2. Mrs. J. I. Hill
   3. Lott Smith
   4. Helen Caroline Sones
   5. Mrs. F. B. Sones
   6. Nancy Lee
   7. Marion Smith
8. 1968 On Sunday, October 13, at the 11:00 A. M. Service, the fifth building was dedicated. The dedication sermon was preached by the pastor, Elder Curtis Nobles. The history of the church

was read by Harry B. Sones. The new building was a one-room brick veneer structure which was to serve as the auditorium. The old block building was renovated and divided into Sunday School rooms with indoor rest room facilities added.

PASTORS SERVING AT SONES CHAPEL CHURCH

1.	J. I. Hill	7 years
2.	T. B. Mitchell	2 years
3.	J. A. Harper	2 years
4.	A. M. Slaydon	6 years
5.	J. M. Sammons	1 year
6.	Thomas Dossett	4 years
7.	James Quitman Sones	47 years
8.	C. P. Toney	8 years
9.	Huey Byrd	2 years
10.	Houston Rawls	3 years
11.	Curtis Nobles	8 years
12.	Donnie Allums	2 years

CHURCH CLERKS

1.	F. B. Lenoir	2 years
2.	B. J. Sones	10 years
3.	P. R. Mitchell	35 years
4.	James Q. Sones	3 years
5.	L. K. Sones, Sr.	4 years
6.	J. D. Bodie	1 year
7.	W. B. Lumpkin	2 years
8.	T. R. Sones	3 years
9.	Nelson Spiers	7 years
10.	H. K. Sones	2 years
11.	H. H. Sones	4 years
12.	Elmer Lumpkin	8 years
13.	Lawrence Wells	9 years
14.	H. K. Sones	
15.	Frank McClinton, Jr.	

MINISTERS ORDAINED BY SONES CHAPEL CHURCH

1. Elder James Quitman Sones
2. Elder Andrew Tynes
3. Elder John W. Sones
4. Elder Hubert Tynes

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"It is better to live for Christ than to wish you had."

5. Elder J. C. Tynes
6. Elder Arthur Smith

Sones Chapel Church has cooperated with the following associations:

1.	Hobolochitto	1882 - 1902
2.	Peace & Union	1902 - 1919
3.	State Line	1919 - 1945
4.	Hobolochitto	1945 - 1950
5.	State Line	1950 - 1973

CHURCHES PASTORED

Name of Church	Date of Organization	Date Pastored	
Sones Chapel	1882	1904 - 1950	
State Line	1856	1905 - 1928	
Old Antioch	1881	1906 - 1909	
Old Palestine	1844	1912 - 1919	
Pine Grove (La.)	1881	1910 - 1912	(1915 - 1924)
Union Ave. (Bogalusa, La.)	1855	1914 - 1925	
Cedar Grove		1919 - 1921	
West Union		1916 - 1920	
Myrtle Grove		1914 - 1915	
Monroe's Creek		1912 - 1916	
Red Creek		1926 - 1938	
Hickory Creek		1930 - 1943	
Zion Hill		1928 - 1930	
Mineral Springs		1948 - 1950	
Carson Springs		1927 - 1936	
Millcreek	1909	1927 - 1930	
Varnado (La.)		1920 - 1926	
Pine		1916 - 1920	
Oak Grove		1926 - 1928	

LIST OF PEOPLE BAPTIZED BY ELDER JAMES QUITMAN SONES AT SONES CHAPEL CHURCH 1904 - 1950

1904: Slaydon Lumpkin, Willie Smith (re-baptized 1919), Albert Mitchell, Albert Smith, John P. Sones.

1905: Mrs. Rose Spiers, Mrs. Ann Spiers, M. R. Lumpkin, Grover L. Nicholas, T. R Henley, Boyd Henley, Luther Jones, Jacob Spiers, Rachael Spiers, Rosa Nicholas.

1906: T. L. Sumrall, Irona Spiers.

"The church that is not against something is seldom for anything."

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"The church is full of willing people. Half willing to work and the rest are willing to let them."

1907: Jerry Kenmar, Rich Smith, Rube Lott, George Chadwick, Jimmy Smith.

1908: Willie Lumpkin, Birdie Lumpkin, Maudie Stuart, Emma Smith, Cordelia Lott, Ollie Lott, Boyd Smith, Ada Henley, Rosa Cooper.

1909: Lula Henley, Henry Smith, Mary Kenmar, Dolph Brewer, Francis Brewer, Prentiss Strahan, Will Winningham, Ellen Spiers, Ellis Seals, Ellis Spiers, Ella Spiers, Zada Spiers, Cordelia Spiers, May Bodie, Josephine Smith, Correne Smith, Josie Lumpkin, Louisa Burge.

1910: Charlie Bodie, West Alsobrooks, Ida Lumpkin, Correne Lott, Maggie Lott, Edna Sones, Roena (Sug) Mitchell, Sallie Rowell.

1911: Jim Leatherwood, Davis Boone, Alma Burge, Lorena Burge, Sarah Spiers, Ada Alsobrooks, Neva Jones, Allen Spiers.

1912: Dan Mitchell, Alfred Mitchell, Joe Lumpkin, Ellis Lumpkin, Harvey Alsobrooks, Ed Burton, Randal Sones, Albert Spiers (re-baptized in 1922), Almer Spiers, Hiriam Smith, John W. Sones, Sr., Sam Bodie, Elsie Lumpkin, Lourainy Spiers, Birdie Newman, Annie Rester, Rosa Kenmar, Daisy Kenmar, Nelia Mitchell, Rosa Mitchell, Zibbie Lott, Francis Lumpkin.

1913: John (Boss) Henley, Math Glass, Charlie Mitchell, Ott (Artemus) Smith, Marvil Smith, Tommie Spiers.

1914: Hubert Henley, S. N. Penton, Mrs. Joe Newman, W. T. Wheat, Will Wheat, Barney Lumpkin.

1916: Hubert Mitchell, Clarence Mitchell, Harry B. Sones, Van Smith, Horace Smith, Susie Spiers, Dora Sones, Oneita Spiers, Gertrude Cooper, A. King, Madie Rester, Bertha Lumpkin.

1917: Sam Smith, Jr., Luther Mitchell, Lillie Saucier, Arzona Alsobrooks, Eva Penton.

1918: Lula Spiers, Rufus Spiers, Annie Lou Campbell, Ollie Mitchell.

1919: Willie T. Smith (Re-baptized).

1920: Houston Smith, T. W. A. J. (Tommie) Smith Jr., Nelson Spiers, Nelson Sones, Ernest Lumpkin, Willie Sones, Polly Smith.

1921: Ella Penton, Clarence Lumpkin, Lizzie Lee Campbell, Ophelia Mitchell, Bessie Miller, Amazon Miller, Effie Coleman, Etta Coleman.

"Going to church does not make you a Christian any more than going to a garage makes you an automobile."

"If you are one of God's lambs, don't go round acting like the devil's Billy Goat."

1922: Albert Brumfield, Bob Burton, Tate Campbell, Bennie Lumpkin, Adolph Miller, Claude Miller, Louella Robertson, Inez Wheat, Dora Wheat, Ruby Sones, Hubert Smith, C. T. Smith, Paul Smith, Walter Smith, Carl Sones, John Miller, Ernest Mitchell, Hattie Lo' Nard, Oscar Smith.

1923: Bob Frazier, T. A. Mitchell, Lula Rester, Eugene Wells, J. W. Wells, Ayner Wells, Zella Wells, Rosa Sones, Lena Spiers, Callie Spiers, Harvey H. Sones, Turner Smith, Emma Penton.

1924: Ollie Alsobrooks, Curtis Frazier, Cora Frazier, Luther Lumpkin, Chalmus Lumpkin, Charles Lumpkin, Leila Lumpkin, Lavelle Lumpkin, Eva Lumpkin, Riley Mitchell, Ruby Mitchell, Malcom McCraney, Eunice McCraney, Armanda McCraney, Dumas Spiers, Katie Spiers, Velma Saucier, G. W. Walker, Archie Wheat, Carlie Wheat, Landee Wheat, Angie Walker, Ethel Wells, Ruby Spiers, Ouida Smith, Leroy Spiers, Mrs. Alice Brumfield, Sam Lumpkin (re-baptized), Mamie C. Johnson, Charlie Lumpkin.

1925: Eva May Burton, Alla Cutrer, Joe Kenmar, Francis Kenmar, Curtis Lumpkin, Irma Lumpkin, Viola Mitchell, Marvin Tynes, Hubert Tynes, Herman Tynes, Hilton Spiers, Hatties Spiers, Mary Smith, Archie Spiers, John W. Lumpkin.

1926: Ruby Coleman, Thomas Davis, Ernest Johnson, Edwina Mitchell, Ethel Lumpkin, Opal Sones, Ella Smithe, John Spiers, Jr., Carl Smith, Elijah D. Coleman, Sebron Alexander.

1927: J. B. Parker, Mrs. J. B. Parker, Mrs. Edgar Spiers, Edgar Spiers, D. T. Beach, Helen Campbell, Emily Frazier, Arlis Rester, Arthur Wells, Elmer Sones, Marshall Spiers.

1928: Mabel Mitchell, Robert Williams, Edith Spiers, Minnie Smith, Mabel Sones.

1929: Hazel Campbell, Willie Campbell, Ophelia Campbell, Georgia Coleman, Misouri Miller, Pearlie Lumpkin, Virgie Lumpkin, Erlean Lumpkin, J. C. Tynes, Lamar Tynes, Lawrence Wells, Glenn Sones, Theo Smith, Joda Spiers, Bonnie Spiers (Mrs. Nelson).

1930: Clarence Burge, Velma Baughman, Ruth Campbell, Mrs. Robert Alexander, Margaret Livings, Josephine Lumpkin, Hollis Jarrell, Ruby Jarrell, Virginia Jarrell, Viola Jarrell, Elsie Kennedy, Zada Kenmar, Pearl Mitchell, Houston Reagan, Wiley Rester, Rufus Wheat, Eugene Wells, Jr., Ellis Wells, U. G. Sones, J. W. Sones, Jr., Marvin Smith,

"If I was not an old time Baptist like Christ, I would be ashamed of myself.

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"The modern 1974 model Baptist need to change their name or get back in the old paths."

Marcus Smith, Lemuel Spiers, Rufus Mitchell.

1931: Bonnie Mae Bodie, Oneida Glass, Eunice Lumpkin (Mrs. Thomas), Murray Miles, Juanita Smith, Eva Moore Wells, Millie Miller (Mrs. Adolph), Julia Mitchell (Mrs. Riley), Dicie Sones, Ladette Spiers, Odel Spiers, Marie Smith, Joe Sones, Jr.

1932: Willard Alsobrooks, Bonita Burton, Letha Rester, Loyd Williams, Toxie Stanford, Ulmer Lumpkin, Elmer Lumpkin.

1933: Hollis Mitchell, Van E. Smith (Rich's Van).

1934: Oree Alexander, Lourainy Lewis, Audrey Spiers, Randle Lumpkin.

1935: Lessie Mitchell, Audrey Mae Lott, Doris Lumpkin, Izella Kenmar, Alice Rowell, Reece Spiers, Jewel Walters, Mary Catherine Williams, Mary Sones, Leola Smith, Lena Smith, Iona Smith, Edna Mae Smith, Ilean Spiers (Mrs. Allen), Mrs. Eugene Spence.

1936: Archie Blackwell, Eva Kennedy, T. C. Fornea, Clyde Lumpkin, Frank McClinton, Sr., Dorothy Rowell, Maude Walters, Ailene Lumpkin.

1937: Elsie Ivey, Doris Ray Sones, Floretta Spiers, Marie Ivey, Mary Ruth Ivey.

1938: Lionel Miller, Irma Jean Cooper, Elmira Burge, Evie May Smith, Lillian Smith, Arnold Spiers, Hollis Spiers, W. T. Spiers, Royce Spiers, Virgil Sones, H. K. Sones, L. K. Sones, Jr., Mattie Lee Tynes, Lou T. Miller, Duprey Lumpkin, Mary Dell Lumpkin, Lyda Lumpkin, Velma Frazier, Della Daniels, Ethel Craddock, A. C. Cooper, Eldridge Burge, Chester Burge.

1939: Chester Bodie (Cummings), Bessie Bodie, Christine Varnado, Ellis Lott.

1940: Mary Lois Cooper, Marjorie Lumpkin, Louise Lumpkin, Delphina Phelps, Ella Stines, Willie Stanford, Louise Rester.

1941: Arthur J. Smith, Beedie Alexander, Jessie May Alexander, Pauline Amacker, Lois Mitchell, Dewey Smith, Sr., Dewey Smith, Jr., Junior Smith, Herschel Smith, Harvey Mitchell.

1942: None

1943: Mrs. Joe G. Smith, Voncile Spiers.

1944: Archie Baucum, Ruby Baucum, Ethel Mitchell, James Mitchell, Clara Nell Penton Lumpkin, Marcell Duncan, Marvin Duncan, Marant Duncan, Archel Baughman, Ruby

"Conscience is that still small voice that makes you feel even smaller."

Baughman, Pearl Burge.
1945: None
1946: Phyllis Mitchell
1947: Leon Burge, Harlon Burge, Janice Baker, Argel Carroll, Carlie Cooper, Margie Duncan, Ephraim Duncan, Joan Lott, Nancy Lou Mitchel., Myrtle Mitchell, Wayne Mitchell.
1948: Max Carroll
1949: Dave Faircloth, Edith Smith.
1950: Lucille Green.
TOTAL: 442

A. M. SLAYDON 1826 - 1898

A. M. Slaydon was born in Texas on September 15, 1826. His parents were very poor and he did not have very much schooling. He was raised a Methodist.

At the age of 22 he left home and as the prodigal son, he wasted his life in riotous living. About 1854 he came to Hancock County near Nicholson, Mississippi. In the meantime he had married a Methodist girl. In 1855 Elder William H. Varnado was preaching in a revival at Old Palestine, the church that he had organized in 1844. A. M. Slaydon attended this revival and along with 13 others was converted and baptized by Bro. Varnado. He later was called to the ministry and licensed to preach in 1856. Ten years later after Bro. Slaydon was baptized, he baptized 14 at the same place.

His library consisted of Websters Spelling Book, Walkers Primary Dictionary and the Bible. With the Holy Spirit as his teacher, pine knots as his lamp, he became a capable, devoted and dedicated preacher of the word. He was a true and staunch Landmark Missionary Baptist. He organized and pastored many of the older churches of this area. He stood firm and defended the old time Landmark Baptist cause until his death. He died on Christmas Eve, 1898 and was buried in the Old Palestine Cemetery with Masonic Honors. James Quitman Sones attended this funeral. Bro. Slaydon had baptised him three years prior to his death on October 20, 1895 in Hobolochitto Creek near Sones Chapel Church.

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WILLIAM H. VARNADO 1804 - 1893

Elder William H. Varnado is the first Baptist Minister that we have any record of to preach and work in this area. He led in the organization of all of the oldest Baptist churches of this area, the first of which was Palestine (1844). A group later pulled off from Palestine and organized New Palestine. The Hobolochitto Association was organized in 1856 under Elder Varnado's leadership. The following churches made up this Association: Union (Ceasar), Elam, Pine Grove, Bethel, Salem, Zion Hill and Gainesville which later moved to Turtleskin under the name of Corinth. Later the following churches were in this association: Juniper Grove, Sones Chapel, Henleyfield, Cedar Grove, Mill Creek, Lee's Chapel No. 1 and Spring Hill. Elam dissolved and went to Bay St. Louis. Corinth was forced to move when the Mississippi Test Facility was built. The membership of the church divided on the money they received from the government and formed two groups. One group built a building at Nicholson and kept the name Corinth. The other group built a building west of Nicholson and named this church Grace Memorial.

Uncle Billy Varnado led the organization of the Hobolochitto Baptist Association in 1856. He was born on March 5, 1804 in South Carolina. He came to this area about the same time and from the same state that my forefathers, the Sones' came from. My great, great grandfather, Henry Sones, Sr. came to this area from South Carolina in the early 1800's.

Bro. Varnado's parents, Leonard and Rachel Shilling Varnado settled near McComb in Pike County, Miss. in 1809. He was saved and became a member of Mount Olive Baptist Church in Pike County. He was ordained to the full work of the Ministry by Mount Olive Church on August 8, 1840. He was a regular Landmark Missionary Baptist preacher and very active in the ministry for 45 years. He lived 53 years after being ordained as a minister. Uncle Billy, as he was affectionately called, was a great doctrinal preacher of his time. He preached with great persuasiveness and power of the Holy Spirit. He was able and meant much to the advancement of the Baptist cause. He was the same kind of Baptist that Jesus and John the Baptist were. He taught and practiced feet washing as taught by Jesus in the 13th Chapter of John. In fact all the old churches of this area taught and practiced feet washing. Bro. Varnado died

on July 15, 1893 at the age of 89 and was buried in the Union Church Cemetery at Caesar.

His friends that endorsed the gospel and doctrine that he preached and taught purchased a monument and erected it to his memory. The inscription on the monument reads as follows:

> Sacred to the memory of Elder W. H. Varnado, born March 5, 1804, died July 15, 1893. He was the first Baptist Minister known to preach in Hancock County, Mississippi as a great Missionary and pastor. He was a Landmark Missionary Baptist and believed in and practiced washing of the Saints feet as taught by our Lord in the 13th Chapter of John.

If Uncle Billy should come back to this area, there are many of the churches that he organized in which he would not be allowed to preach because they have departed from what he preached and taught.

MINISTERS OF THE CROSS TO REMEMBER

(1) Billy Varnado 1804-1893
(2) A. M. Slaydon 1826-1898
(3) Marion Walters
(4) C. P. Toney, Sr.
(5) J. I. Hill
(6) T. B. Mitchell
(7) J. M. Sammons
(8) J. A. Harper
(9) Thomas Dossett
(10) Andrew Tynes
(11) Huey Byrd
(12) J. M. Stewart
(13) June Hartfield
(14) J. E. Ball
(15) Ben Fortenberry
(16) Elder Carl Sullivan
(17) Elder Price Bond
(18) Elder J. E. Roberson
(19) Elder Jack Spiers
(20) Elder J. E. Glenn

These are some of the deceased ministers that I remember hearing my father speak of working with or being influenced by.

Front row left to right seated: Thomas Jackson Mitchell, John Warren Ball; back row, standing, left to right: Elder J. M. Sammons, Elder James Quitman Sones and Mr. Richard (Dick) Jones. This picture was taken at the old home of Elder J. Q. Sones. This house burned in the fall of 1924.

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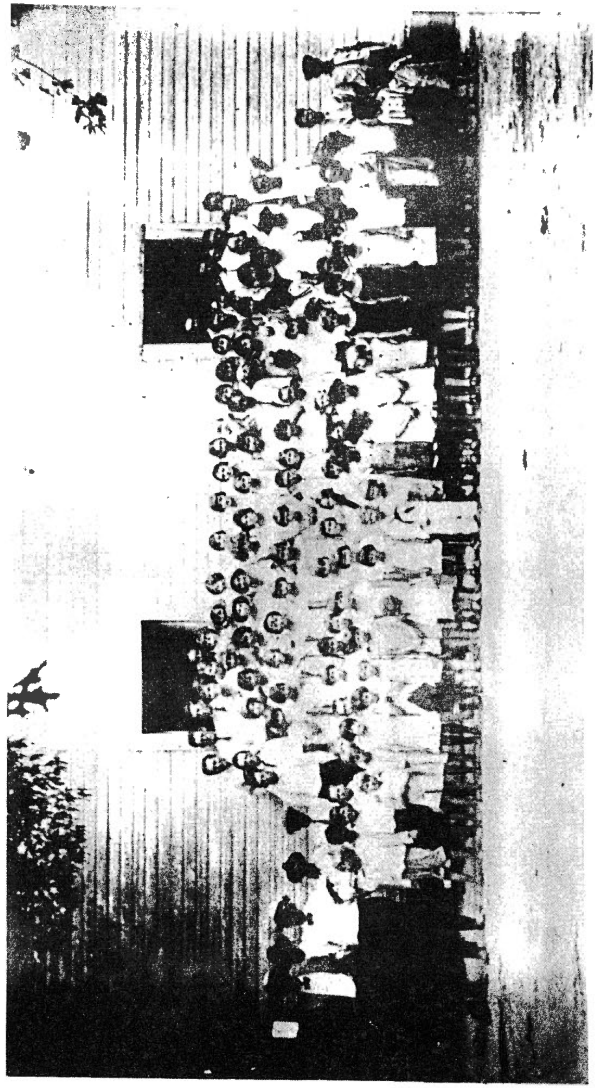
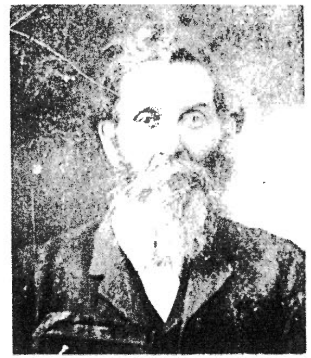


This is a picture of a group taken at the end of a singing school taught at Sones Chapel by Bro. J. M. Voss from Purvis, Mississippi. This scene is one of the old one-room frame buildings at Sones Chapel. At the extreme left side is Bro. J. M. Voss, Leonard Mitchell, Elder James Quitman Sones, Albert Smith and Charlie Bodie. Over 100 participated in this school.



This is a picture of Elder J. I. Hill who led in the organization of Sones Chapel Church (1882). He was a charter member and served the church as pastor for seven years 1882-1889. He and his wife were the first to be buried in the Sones Chapel Cemetery. His daughter, Elizazbeth was the wife of Gideon Lumpkin who served as deacon of Sones Chapel for many years. Some of Elder Hill's descendants are members now and have been all through the 93-year history of the church.

This is a picture of William Spiers with his ox team and wagon loaded with long leaf yellow pine cross ties. These ties were hand made. They usd what was known as a broad ax to hew or square logs in this shape. These ties are on the way to Tyler to be sold to the Railroad Company. This picture was taken in front of the last residence of Benjamin J. Sones by his son, Thomas Randle Sones.

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This is a group photo taken about 1890. Standing left to right are: Martha Patricia Lumpkin Sones (Aunt Patsy), Benjamin J. Sones, Franklin Lumpkin; seated — Elizabeth Hill Lumpkin holding baby Francis Lumpkin, Gideon R. Lumpkin holding child, Slaydon Lumpkin. These are the two oldest children of Mr. and Mrs. Gideon Lumpkin. At this time (1975) Slaydon and Francis, ages 87 and 85 are still living and active. Benjamin J. Sones was the father of Elder James Quitman Sones and Martha Patricia Lumpkin Sones was his Grandmother. At this time she was 76 years of age and her son Ben, age 49.

"A man shows what he is by what he does with what he has."

This is a group picture showing five living generations of the Ben Sones offspring: Helen Caroline Sones, great, great grandmother; Florence Mintoria Sones Mitchell, great grandmother, Albert Monroe Mitchell, grandfather; Myrtis Mitchell Nichols, mother and Willie May Nichols, daughter.

"Men who pray much bray little."

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Elder James Q. Sones with his two oldest daughters, Edna and Dora. This picture was taken in the front yard of the old home at Sones Chapel in 1921.

This is the Thomas Jackson Mitchell family. Seated: T. J. Mitchell and wife, Lourainy Henley Mitchell. Standing, left to right: Tommy, Peter, George, Ellen, Emeline and Roena. They were all early members of Sones Chapel Church.

"Happiness is a perfume you cannot pour on others without getting a few drops on yourself."

Emma Campbell, the youngest member of my father's family and at this date is the only surviving member (1975).

"If you think of nothing for which you can give thanks, you have a poor memory."

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This is a picture of Gideon R. Lumpkin and his wife, Elizabeth Hill Lumpkin. She was the daughter of Elder J. I. Hill, the first pastor and a charter member of Sones Chapel Church. Gideon served several years as deacon. He was ordained as Deacon on March 6, 1892.

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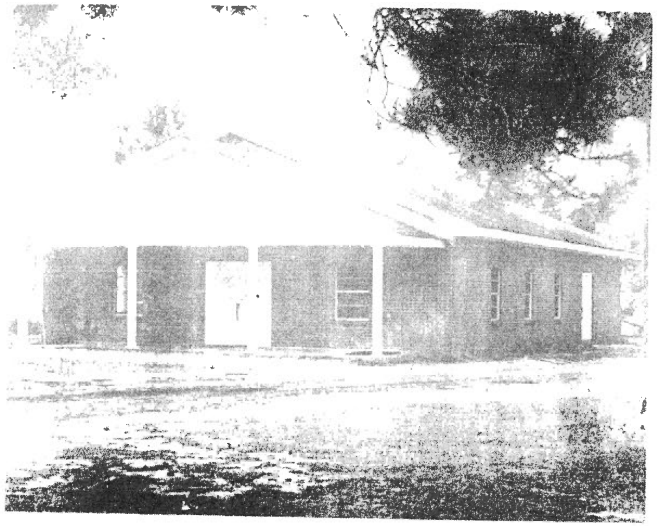
Peter R. Mitchell, who served as clerk of Sones Chapel Church for 35 years and for many years as clerk of the Hobolochitto and State Line Associations. He was blessed to live 96 years and was a close friend and co-worker in the church with Elder J. Q. Sones.

Elder J. M. (Jim) Stuart and his faithful companion. He was pastor of Pine Church for over 50 years. Bro. Stuart has probably preached to more people than any minister in this entire area.



Sones Chapel Church

Rev. Donnie Allums

Elder James Sones

Sones Chapel Baptist Church

The church is located three miles west of McNeill in the Sones Chapel Community. It was organized July 5, 1882 in a small log school house near its present site with the following charter members: Elder J. I. Hill, Mrs. J. E. Hill, Mrs. F. B. Sones, Lott Smith, Nancy Lee, Marion Smith and Helen Caroline Sones.

The church has carried on services continually since 1882 and has occupied five different buildings.

Sones Chapel Baptist Church tries to follow the same policies and practices of the First Baptist Church that Jesus Christ organized from the material prepared by John the Baptist, during his personal ministry here on earth. All phases of the church such as missions are supported by free will offering.

Elder Donnie Allums, of Bassfield, Mississippi, is the present pastor of Sones Chapel Baptist Church. From 1882 until the present the church has had 12 pastors serving from one to 47 years. Elder James Quitman Sones served the church as pastor for 47 years in succession, 1903-1950.

Regular services are held on Sunday morning, Sunday night and Wednesday night.

At the present time Sones Chapel Baptist Church has over 300 members. These are members who attend services regularly from Picayune, Poplarville, McNeill, Derby, White Sand and Bogalusa.

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This is a picture of the Kennedy's Creek School. This was a one teacher school located north west of Sones Chapel. From left to right back row: Ada Henley, Ellen Spiers, Birdie Newman, Ella Spiers, Zadie Spiers, Miss Ella Bell, Teacher, Nola Wheat, Annie Rester, Madie Rester, Will Wheat, Gertrude Cooper, Ed Newman, Victor Henley, Dora Wheat, Lourainy Spiers, Oneida Spiers and Carlie Wheat. This was the only type of public school in the rural areas until the consolidation movement in 1919.

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This is a picture of the one teacher school at Sones Chapel. It was located on Big Branch about three-fourths of a mile south of Sones Chapel Church. In the picture, left to right, is Edna Sones, oldest daughter of Elder J. Q. Sones, Miss Mable Evans, teacher, and Sarah Spiers, daughter of Wash Spiers who was Deacon and Sunday School Superintendent of Sones Chapel Church for many years. This photo was made by Thomas R. Sones in 1918. This was the first school that I and the other older children of Elder J. Q. Sones attended.

William B. Sones daughter Emma md
M. Vanderhurst 1-16-1832 mr
Washington A. Sones md Elizabeth Fletcher 7-22-1841
James Sones md Courtney A. Webb 10-20-1857

This is a picture of, from left to right, Louise Victoria Sones McClure, Elder James Quitman Sones, and Emma Virginia Sones Campbell. This picture of Elder J. Q. Sones and his only living sisters was taken May 16, 1948, near the old home in the Sones Chapel Community at the annual family reunion. Mrs. Emma Sones Campbell was selected as "Mother of the Year" in 1958 at Picayune. Miss Ernest May Stuart, in charge of the presentation, made the following complimentary remarks about Aunt Emma. "She has charm, grace, industry, intelligence, humility and above all she is a deeply religious, praying, God loving, God fearing, and Church going Mother."

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a dau married John Tyner before 1822
2 Henry Sones Sr.

FAMILY TREE OF JAMES QUITMAN SONES AND ALMA BALL SONES

Henry Sones, Sr. and (Wife unknown)
Children: These children were named in a will dated April 25, 1822 and filed for record at the Courthouse of Marion County, Columbia, Mississippi.

1. Sarah md Arthur Lott
2. Harriet - md James P. Harris
3. John Herrin
4. Benjamin
5. Francis B. married Martha Lumpkin
6. Martha Elizabeth
7. Andrew Jackson md Amelia Wallace 11-19-1841
8. Rebecca

Francis B. Sones and Martha Lumpkin
Children:

1. Benjamin J. married Helen Caroline Lee
2. Virginia Elizabeth married Thomas Lee

Benjamin J. Sones and Helen Caroline Lee
Children:

1. Florence Mintoria married W. W. (Sam) Mitchell
2. Francis Peyton married Edna Ball
3. Thomas Randal not married
4. Louise Victoria married Julius McClure
5. James Quitman married Alma Corrine Ball
6. John Portevie married Mary Jones
7. Leonard Kimball married Martha Lumpkin
8. Emma Virginia married Henry Campbell

James Quitman Sones and Alma Ball Sones

1. John W. Sones married Ella Marie Anderson
   Doris Ray Sones married Jimmy Harrison
   John Sones (1st wife) Betty Tynes
   (2nd wife) Francis Hoffman
   Carol Sones died at the age of three.
2. Edna Louise Sones married Jessie T. Smith
   Jessie T. Smith, Jr. married June Perkins
   George Louise Smith married Joseph Rankin Morris
   Francis Jean Smith married Lewis Murray
   James Byrd Smith married Billy Kirkland Hariel Smith
   Dorothy Rose Smith married James Smith
   Ben Smith married Beth Kirkland Smith
   Patsy Smith married Roland Rex Witsell

Henry Sones Sr
Probable other children not mentioned in will
Elizabeth married John Stovall 5-17-1815 mr Marion Co
Ruth married Daniel Clower 7-1815 mr Marion Co
1. Henry Jr. married Cynthia McGowen 6-2-1817 mr " "

3. Dora Lee Sones married Buford Walker
   Jimmy Walker married Linda Howard
   Joyce Walker married Turner Northern
   Jean Walker married Leon Rose
   Tommy Walker married Mary Smith
   Bobby Walker married Wanda King
4. Harry Benjamin Sones married Pearl Virginia Mitchell
   Joy Nell Sones married G. F. Knigge
   Barbara Ann Sones married Argil Burge
   Richard Mitchell Sones married Sylvia Lee
   Glenda Faye Sones married Edwin Eugene Penton
   Randy Byron Sones married Carol Faye Lee
5. Nelson Francis Sones married Christina Apperiche
6. James Carl Sones married Ethel Wells
   James Carl Sones, Jr. married Celecia Burge
   Martha Ann Sones married Jacob MeGehee
7. Harvey Harren Sones married Bonnie May Bodie
   Myra Ellen Sones married A. F. Gimble
   Bodie Sones (1st wife) Dianne Scott
   (2nd wife) Michelene Coliere
   Bonnie Elaine Sones married Edward Carter
   Harvey H. Sones, Jr. not married (Deceased)
   Harren Sones not married (Deceased)
8. Elmer Paul Sones married Lorene Dyer
   Larry Paul Sones married Kathleen Woodruff
   Jerry Wayne Sones married Phoebe Wooten
9. Glen Ellis Sones married Marie Mitchell
   Jane Sones (1st husband) Joseph Neal
   (2nd husband) Charles L. Kleinschmidt
   Judy Sones married Lonnie Beall
10. Willie U. G. Sones married Edna Earl Powell
    Dr. James Quitman Sones married Donna Kennedy
    William David Sones married Theresa Krone
11. Leo Virgil Sones married Laura B. Davis
    Virgil Thomas Sones married Elaine Thigpen
    James Quitman Sones (Deceased)
12. Mary C. Sones married Albert T. Andersen
    Dr. Willie Albert Andersen married Ellen Invernizzi
    James Benjamin Andersen married Ann Ferguson
    Mary Margaret Andersen (1st husband) Peter R. Smith
    (2nd husband) Howard Peacock
    John Michael Andersen Not Married
    Tom Brian Andersen Not Married

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HARRIS, STOCKSTILL AND ALLIED FAMILIES

Rubie Monroe Harris
1 BORN 18 Jun 1932
AT Coahoma Co. Ms.
RES
AT Metairie, La.
MARR
AT

HUSBAND

Henri Mitchell Harris
2 BORN 1 Feb 1889
AT New Orleans La.
DIED 31 Oct 1959
AT Harrison Co. Ms.
MARR 31 Mar 1912
AT Wash. Parish La.

Margaret Aletha Stockstill
3 BORN 17 Sep 1892
AT Marion Co. Ms.
DIED 11 May 1955
AT New Orleans La.

Reuben Green Harris
4 BORN 17 Jan 1841
AT Smith Co. Ms.
DIED 28 Jul 1894
AT New Orleans La.
MARR 26 Sep 1867
AT New Orleans La.

Selina Monroe
5 BORN 28 Jun 1847
AT New Orleans La.
DIED 5 Oct 1903
AT New Orleans La.

William Warden Stockstill
6 BORN 15 Aug 1859
AT Hancock Co. Ms.
DIED 24 Apr 1940
AT St.Tann. Par.La.
MARR 28 Sep 1882
AT Hancock Co. Ms.

Margaret Abigail Tate
7 BORN 11 Mar 1859
AT Marion Co. Ms.
DIED 11 Dec 1945
AT St.Tann. Par.La.

Henry J. Harris
8 BORN 1 Feb 1822
AT Marion Co. Ms.
DIED 15 Jan 1898
AT Tampa, Fl.
MARR 29 May 1839
AT Smith Co., Ms.

Nancy Maria Rogers
9 BORN circa 1818 (?)
AT Tenn.
DIED 18 Dec 1896
AT Centreville, Ms.

John Tompkins Monroe
10 BORN 6 May 1822
AT Howard Co. Mo.
DIED 23 Feb 1871
AT Savannah, Ga.
MARR 11 Sep 1845
AT New Orleans La.

Rebecca Isadora Shepard
11 BORN 12 Jun 1826
AT New Orleans La.
DIED 13 Feb 1889
AT New Orleans La.

David Warden Stockstill
12 BORN 4 Oct 1830
AT Marion Co. Ms.
DIED 21 Aug 1913
AT Pearl R. Co. Ms.
MARR 27 Nov 1857
AT Hancock Co. Ms.

Telitha Margaret Mitchell
13 BORN 18 Nov 1842
AT Ms.
DIED 26 Jun 1928
AT Pearl R. Co. Ms.

Thomas Willis Andrew Jackson Tate
14 BORN 30 Sep 1828
AT Amite Co. Ms.
DIED 9 Mar 1904
AT Pearl R. Co. Ms.
MARR circa 1850 (?)
AT Hancock Co. Ms.

Mary Matilda Byrd
15 BORN 9 Nov 1827
AT Marion Co. Ms.

James P. Harris
16 BORN circa 1790 (?)
AT S.C.

Harriet Pinkney Sones
17 CONTINUED ON PAGE 2

Reuben Rogers
18 BORN circa 1792
AT Albemarle Co. Va

Frances Pyrant
19 BORN
AT

Daniel Munro Jr.
20 CONTINUED ON PAGE 3

Elizabeth Copeland (widow Barnett)
21 BORN circa 1800
AT Mercer Co. Ky.

William Shepard
22 BORN 26 Sep 1779
AT Carteret Co. N.C

Ann Moore (widow Hill)
23 BORN 25 Aug 1793
AT Baltimore Co.Md.

Thomas Jeremiah Stockstill
24 BORN 8 Jan 1804
AT Baltimore Co.Md.

Harriet Warden
25 BORN circa 1809
AT Va.

John M. Mitchell
26 BORN 25 Feb 1798 (?)
AT La.

Lavina West (widow Murray)
27 BORN 20 Feb 1806
AT Ms.

James Tate
28 BORN 8 Mar 1782
AT Spart'burg S.C.

Margaret Abigail Holden
29 BORN circa 1793 (?)
AT Laurens Co. S.C.

Sherrard Byrd
30 BORN 7 Jun 1784
AT Sumpter Co. S.C.

Prepared by:

Rubie Monroe Harris

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Bay St. Louis

SMITH, Johanna Callehan, 80, 8/8/1924, p 51A
SMITH, John Matthew, 2 mos., infant cholera, 6/13/1895, CC, p 20
SMITH, Josephine, 15, influenza, 10/29/1918, p 47
SMITH, Joseph Nicolas, 56, born in Alsace, France, died of paralysis 6/1/1889, CC, p 7
SMITH, Mary Gelpi, 91, 6/12/1930, New Orleans, p 56
SONES, Rebecca Ben, 80, heart failure 2/8/1897, PC, p 24
SONIAT, Mrs. Gus (Marie), 67, 8/8/1944, New Orleans, p 72
SOUCHON, Mrs. (Rose Fretti), 58 bron St. Bernard, La., died of chronic dyspepsia 6/13/1897, CC, p 24
SOULE, Frederick D., 83, 9/20/1915, p 44
SPADONE, George, 57, 12/9/1913, p 42
SPADONI, Victorine Cospolich (col), 25, born Bay St Louis, died of consumption 4/22/1888, PC, p 5
SPANGE, John, 46, 12/24/1902, p 31
SPARENBERG, William, 40, born in Germany, died of wounds 4/6/1886, PC, p 1
SPOTORNO, Andrew J., 25, 5/9/1887, CC, p 3
SPOTORNO, Catherine, 12/31/1925, p 52
SPOTORNO, Eugenie, 71, 10/24/1945, SM, p 73
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SPOTORNO, Mathilde, 63, 1/1/1916, p 45
?SPRING, John, 25, influenza, 11/1/1918, p 47
ST ANGELO, Frank, 96, 3/10/1936, CC, p 64
ST ANGELO, Laura, 20, 4/7/1926, p 52A
ST PIERRE, Paul, 56, Bright's disease 1/28/1887, New Orleans, p 3
ST SAENS, Amelie, 40, born in France died of apoplexy 6/30/1894, private cemetery, p 18
STACKHOUSE, Alexander, 77 years 6 months 5 days, Church Sexton for 8 years, dropped dead 9/10/1930. Cremated & ashes sent to Mrs. William E. Marshall, St. Mary's, Ontario, Canada.
STAR, baby of William, 2 years, 11/18/1924, p 51A

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Sps-Eugene & Josephine Hearsey
H.Leduc,Priest BB 1 p 218 A 1410

SMITH, Cecelia about 28 yrs.old bp 5/31/1869
D James Smith & Molly ?Weat
Sps-H A DeMoranguie & Annette A ??
H.Leduc,Priest BB 1 p 230 A 1468

SOHL, Anne born 12/28/1863 bp 4/25/1863
LD John Sohl & Martha ?Hallin
Sps-C Hoffman & Mrs. Ev.Saucier
H.Leduc,Priest BB 1 p 109 A 729

SOHL, John Manuel born 9/16/1852 bp 1/1/1854
S John Sohl & Martha Harder
GF Manuel Munez GM Mrs. M. Munez
S.Buteux,Priest BB 1 p 31 Act 216

SOHL, Martin born 9/7/1857 bp 9/19/1859
Son of John Sohl
GF Martin Weinberg GM Helene Hescher
F.Lutte, Priest of the Congregation
of the Holy Redeemer
Bap. Bk. 1 p 71 Act 523

SOLDENI, Jean Isilly Ovile b 11/11/1867 bp 11/29/1867
LS Antoine Soldeni & Aspasie Bourgeois
GF Auguste Bourgeois GM Celina Carver
H.Leduc,Priest BB 1 p 149 A 987

SONES, Benjamin D. about 19 yrs.old bp 12/14/1858
Son Benjamin Sones & Rebecca McArthur
S.Buteux,Priest BB 1 p 65 A 476

SONES, Elisa 24 years old b 11/23/1834 bp 7/1/1859
D Benjamin Sones & Rebecca McArthur
S.Buteux,Priest BB 1 p 69 Act 513

SONES, Marie Jeanne born 2/2/1866 bp 7/9/1866
LD Raimond Sones & Andrienne Bordage
GF Jean Bordage GM Marie Saucier
H.Leduc,Priest BB 1 p 136 A 915

SPILLA, Emmanuel Lorenzo b 10/10/1866 bp 1/16/1867
LS George Spilla & Francoise Baitille
GF Emmanuel Perella GM Caroline Pevery
H.Leduc,Priest BB 1 p 143 A 950

SPOTORNO, Andre Joseph born 2/13/1861 bp 12/1/1861
LS Louis Spotorno & Charlotte Catherine
GF Joseph ?Chernidliss Garibaldi
GM Angeline Bozetto
H.Leduc,Priest BB 1 p 93 Act 643

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Snakenberg, E. H. Jr., 261 Nicholson Av. Waveland (Ph 48)

Snedeker, Caroline Dale, Live Oak, P.C. 21 Jan 1956 (CEC)

Snellings, B., Bch. Blvd., Waveland (Ph 48)

Snider, Nell Graves, 99, Garden of Memory 19 Jun 1982 (CEC)

Snider, Stanley Robinson, 71, St. Louis #3 N.O
15 Sep 1981 (CEC)

Snider, Stanley Robinson III, 17,St Louis #3 NO
26 Oct 1976 (CEC)

Snider, Susan Anthony, St. Louis #3 N.O. 13 Nov 1980 (CEC)

Socola, E. A Dr., 112 Oak, Waveland (Ph 48)

"Sojourner Place". Mr Cullen sold Cedar Point Palatial dwelling and purchased "The Sojourner Place" on Main St. No ref except SCE.

Somers, Rev. Richard. 228 S. Beach. (1968 ph.)

Sones, B. First mayor of BSL after name change in 1875.
(?SCE Jub. 1942 pg 27) Jubilee special edition

Sorbonne, The.
Opened in 1870 by the Brothersf on the property "between Hancock and Union streets", the schooo became very popular. Brother Stephen Hanlon served the school for 25 years. Because of his long flowing white beard the boys gave him the nickname of "Rip" and consequently the schoool became known as "Rig's University". he was a strict disciplinarian and had two famous sticks: "Licorie", the two foot stock of a buggy whip and "Molasses", an eighteen inch ruler so called because of its color. He retired in 1915 and died 4 Feb 1921 and is burried in the little cemetery located midway between the College and his beloved school. One of the stained glass windows in the church is dedicated to him. SCE Jubilee 1942 pg 12.

Soules, Mrs. Doris, 212 N. Bach (Ph 48,49)

Southern Bell Tel & Tel, 204 N. Beach (Ph 48,49)

Spanish "Customs" House. 707 S. Beach. Dr. Aikens home. It is doutful that it was ever used as a customs house, but it is dated from the late 1780's. Photo. BSL 100 pg. 30.

Spence, Carl Davis Sr. 63, Live Oak Cem. P C. 24 Jun 1982 CEC

Spence, Dorothy N. Miss., 525 Citizen (Ph 48)

January Term A.D. 1877

A meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen Elect of the City of Bay St Louis for the purpose of Organizing the Board according to the provisions of the Charter of said City was held at the City Hall in said City on Saturday the 6th day of January 1877.

Present the Honorable
Jesus Augusta St Tuall Mayor
Jesus T. J. Murphy
Jesus S. J. Bosetto
Jesus A. Campa } Members
Jesus R. Cuevas
Thomas Carver Marshal
B. Sones Secretary Pro tem.

This meeting of the Board for the purpose of Organizing as aforesaid was declared duly organized according to the provisions of the Charter of the City of Bay St Louis and prepared for business.

On motion of T. J. Murphy to appoint the Officers for said City duly seconded and carried by the Board.

It was ordered by the Board that the Officers be now elected and appointed and after battolling for the election of the different Officers of the City, His Honor the Mayor announced and declared that the following named Officers were duly elected and appointed for the City during the ensuing term of Office to wit: Louis DePaole Marshal, George V. Johnston Assessor & Tax Collector, John Bordages City Treasurer, Benjamin Sones Secretary.

It was also ordered by the Board that the penalties of the Bonds of said Officers be as follows to wit: The Bond of City Marshal shall be $[illegible] The Bond of the Assessor & Collector shall be $2000.00 The Bond of the City Treasurer shall be $2500.00 and the Bond of the Secretary shall be $600.00 and all of said Officers shall present their Bonds and securities for approval at the next meeting of the Board on the 3rd day of January A.D. 1877.

On motion of T. J. Murphy seconded and carried by the Board it was ordered that Charles [illegible] be [illegible]

Bay St. Louis, Miss. April 18, 1886

To the Honorable Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Bay St. Louis

The following are the returns of an election held in City of Bay St. Louis on the 5th day of April

Names of Candidates	Total	Majority
Mayor		
James A. Ulman	180	54
August Keller	126	
Aldermen 1st Ward		
Peter Ramond	73	
D. W. Bontemps	30	
Jesse Coward	54	
L. A. Primas	143	71
2d Ward		
A. C. Thorn	116	
J. L. Morris	38	
C. E. Gardeblet	143	27
3d Ward		
Etienne Ladner	149	19
Thos. Walters	19	
John Dilman	130	
4th Ward		
August Campe	288	288
Secretary		
Geo. H. Combel	139	57
R. W. Toulme	51	
Ben Sones	62	
Chs. Strong	24	
Marshal		
G. W. Maynard	165	35
Ed. Graves	130	
Tax Collector		
J. B. Spor	127	

Ben Sones [illegible] April 18, 1886 [illegible] Tax [illegible]

Ben Sones family

Cedar Rest Cemetery

Bay St. Louis, Mississippi

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CEDAR REST CEMETERY

For recording purpose, the cemetery has been divided into two sections:

NORTH: Beginning at the SE corner on Second Street, running South to the center opening with paved walk, a faucet in a bath tub, and thence West on a path to the opening on Toulme Street.

SOUTH: Beginning at the opening at Center (paved walk, faucet, etc) running South to Esterbrook Street, and thence West along the McDonald warehouses to Toulme Street.

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LEGEND

N= North
S= South
Rows and Spaces are denoted by numbers:
Example: Abraham, Effie G.; S21-7 = South side, Row 21, Space 7
Unk = Unknown grave; (name from files; source = county or city newspapers).

ROW 10 (con'td)

Slab Plot
15. Edward Jones, 1869-1957
16. Ruby Mary Jones, 1868-1947

17. Sarah C. Mitchell
9-29-1837; 2-4-1920

18. August Taconi
19. Ida Taconi
20. Laura America Morel

21. Headstone broken; 2 concrete flower pot crosses

22. Peter Carver, 2-21-1822; 1-17-1901

Slab Plot
23. Dudley Carver, 4-2-1866; 6-7-1932
24. Edmond Carver
3-1-1849; 2-13-1923

25. Mary Nazile Bourgeois (Carver) wife of Peter Carver
10-16-1871, age 45 yrs

26. Percy Schmertz, 1892-1955

27. Unmarked; top of headstone gone

Slab Plot
28. Henry Seube, 1881-1945
29. Rita Seube, 1882-1958

30. Slab, unmarked, si
James Wienberg; baby 2 yrs.

ROW 11

1. Anthony Paul Mioton
US Army WW I 1896-1980
2. Jennie Kimmel Hill
9-1-1881; 1-28-1953
3. Sarah Hill Mioton
10-8-1907; 10-17-1969
4. Unmarked
5. Raymond Mioton, Sr., US Coast Guard
1-29-1923; 2-12-1980

Slab Plot
6. Earl Mioton, Miss Pfc 161 Inf. WWII
10-15-1910; 5-8-1945
7. Wellington C. Nunn
Texas 2nd Lt Sanitary Corp WWI
1-4-1892; 6-20-1952
8. Nell M. Nunn, 1887-1966

ROW 11 (con'td)

Slab Plot
9. Gertrude Favre Garvin Hanson
10-17-1900; 1-15-1960
10. Marie Araurelie Garcia Favre (moth
1871-1954
11. Lucien Joseph Favre, 1865-1940
(father)

12. Unmarked, si

13. Unmarked
14. "

15. Kenneth T. Knoblock, 1898-1946

Slab Plot, WOW headstone
16. Edward Heitzman, Sr. 1884-1947
17. Lottie R. Heitzman,
wife of Edward Heitzman
12-24-1891; 8-18-1973

19. Mrs. E. N. Baldwin, d=1-23-1876
20. J. H. Sones; d=10-1-1867
21. L. M. Sones; d=11-30-1864
22a. D. B. Sones, d=1-17-1858
si Unmarked, si
b. Ben Sones
si c. Rebecca McArthur Sones, wife of Ben Sones Ft 1897, 80 yrs Progress

Slab Plot
23. Margie Saucier Karl
2-23-1921; 10-21-1958
24. Unmarked
25. "
26. "

Crypt (bad repair)
27. Lucie Angelique Paganetto (Combel
wife of P. E. Combel
12-24-1833; 6-9-1857

28. Unmarked slab

29. Unmarked; evergreen tree in corne
30. "
31. "
32. "

Slab plot
33. Gilmore J. Carver
Ms Pvt Co D 20 Engr WWI
1-9-1889; 8-27-1963
34. George Washington Carver
1855-1917
35. Helen Marie Carver
1860-1936

Solomon, Robert Mark; N4-1a
Robert Ramsey; N4-1b
Sones, Ben; N11-22b
D. B.; N11-22a
Floyd F.; S12-18
J. H.; N11-20
L. M.; N11-21
Louis H.; S12-17
Rebecca McArthur; N11-22c
Soto, Juan A.;Colon; N15-38
Spence, Florence; S8-37
Robert E.; S8-38
Stechman, Edris C.; S15-1
Theodore Sr.; S15-2
Stepney, L; S29-34
Stiglet, John; S12-3
Lillie A.; S12-4
Stoltz, infant boy; S3-10
Olga Albertine; S3-11
Straughan, Emily Alice; S19-2
Strong, Albert; S2-27
* Charles M.; S2-29
Cora; S2-41
Edward L.; S7-41
Louise C.; S2-28
Sidonia; S7-40
William D.; S2-40
Urith; S2-39
Summers, George; S8-45c
Maurice; S8-45a
Maurice's wife; S8-45b
Sylvester, Allyne I.; S26-21
Cornelia Colly; S26-25
Amanda; N29-4
Donna Speer; S25-18
Eliza; S27-3c
Emily M.; S26-19a
Herman; N28-3
James H. A.; S26-20
Howard Monroe; S23-13
Mrs. Howard Monroe; S23-12
J. H. (James Howard ?); S26-24
Lawrence; S27-8
Mary; S27-3d
Milton Robert; S26-22
Oneida; S27-3b
Oswald, Leo; S26-23
Susan Patrick; S25-19
Walter Agee; S25-17
Wallace Russell; S26-16
William O. Sr.; S25-16
William O.; S25-12

*Strickland,Nancy; S15-24a

Taconi, August; N10-18
Anita Robert; S20-7
brother; N1-18
brother; N-19
Charles P.; S20-6
Ida; N10-19
James A.; S5-9
Joe Jr.; S5-10d
John; S5-10a
Mary Frances; S5-8
Myrtle A.; S5-7
Nemoie; S5-10b
Ruth; S5-10c
Tait, Venie H.; N7-8
William W. N7-9
Talbert, Blaine; S27-26
Oswald George; S31-30
Wilbert B.; S31-27
Talbot, Estella; N5-35
George Jr.; N5-36
Tanguie, Beatrice B. Favre; N24-2
Tartavoulle, Carl Marshall; N27-19b
Elsie Bourgeois; N13-2b
Eva Favre; N12-1b
Gus A. N12-1a
Herbert J.; N13-2a
Stella E.; N27-19a
Tarver, Alf; S26-11
Taylor, Kenneth C.; S40-30
Telhiard, Gaston; N7-20
Ida A.; N13-18
L. Marcel; N13-17
Myrtle McGinty Saucier; S15-22
Raoull; N7-17
Mrs. Raoull; N7-19
Thibeaux, Elmer L.; S23-15b
Wilmer John; S23-15a
Terrell, R. W.; N22-7b
Thomas, Albert I.; S4-14
Gustave D.; S4-13
Gustave Daniel; N15-11
Isaac; S29-5a
Thompson, Anna H.; S7-4
Charles Q.; S7-3
Euphrosine; N15-10
Josephine Bangard; S14-24
M. A.; N15-9
* Mae Luc; S4-12
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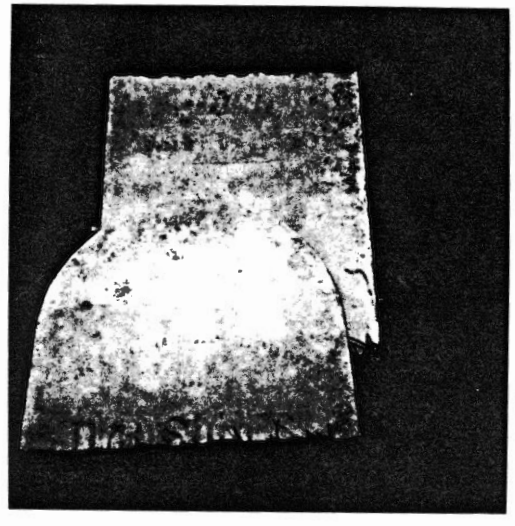
George; S29-30

*Capt. William Sunderland; Unk



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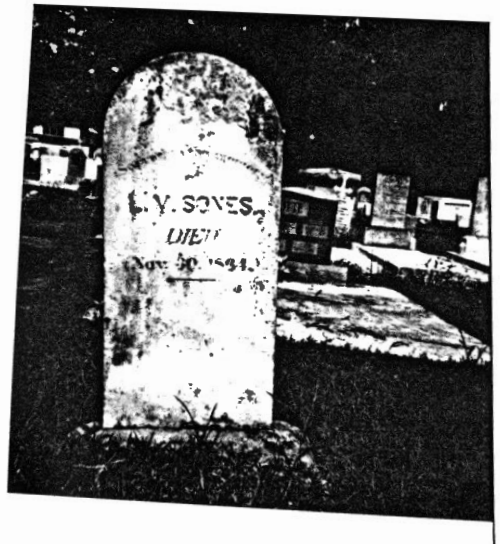
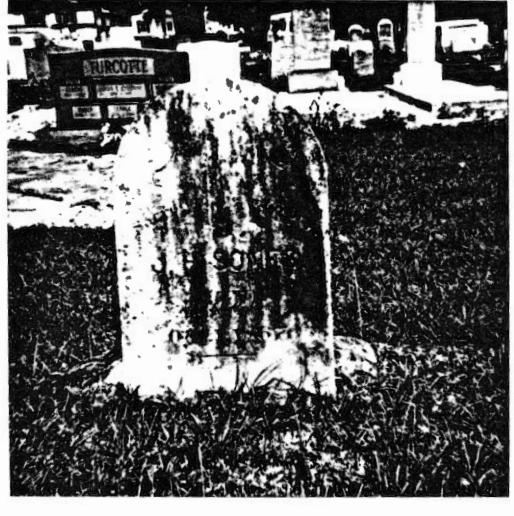




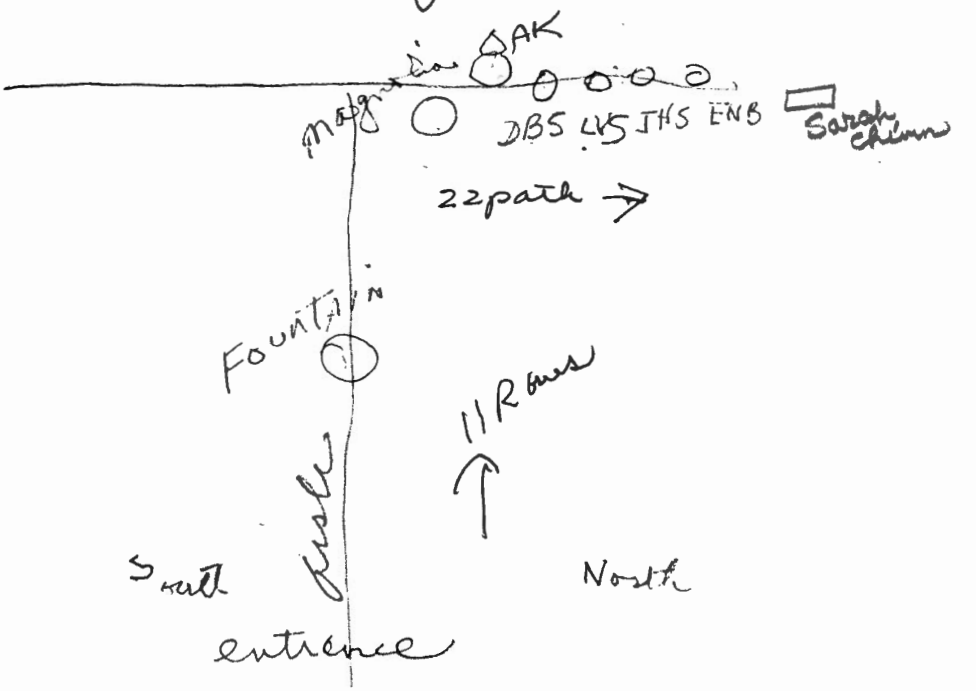
Mary Fisher
with the
Wainwrights

① Sacred to the memory of
Mrs E.N. Baldwin d. Jan 23, 1876

② Sacred to the memory of
J. H. Sones d Oct 1, 1867

③ Sacred to the memory of
L. M. Sones d Nov 30, 1864

4) Sacred to the memory of
D. B. Sones d Jan 17, 1858



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4817 York # 226
Metairie, La. 70001
16 Apr 1991

Dear Jean,

I hope my name is familiar to you. I was in the Pascagoula library with Mary Fisher a few weeks ago and at the seminar. I asked you about Mayor Ben Sones of Bay St. Louis and my unsuccessful attempt to find his day of death and you said you would help me with the problem.

I am sending a copy of my ancestor chart. You may want to put it in your files. All my mother´s ancestor´s were in that part of Hancock county which became Pearl River co. My Harris And Sones lines were in Marion co 1818. I might mention that the lines of Sones, Stockstill, Tate and West are documented with First Families of Mississippi, should anyone be interested. My Rogers line was in Monroe co 1830 and Smith co. 1840.. The Monroe and Shepard lines were in New Orleans.

Now to Mayor Sones. Mary Fisher and I have been working on this family for 6 years and I am sending a computer print out for background on this family from 1800 census of Sumpter co., S.C. who came to Ms. 1817 where Ben Sones´ father, Henry Sones Sr. died in Marion co 1822 and named Ben in his will as well as my ancestor, Harriet Pinkney Sones Harris. He owned land on both sides of Pearl River about 6 1/2 miles N.W. of Columbia.

Mayor Ben Sones was married to Rebecca MCArthur and lived on Toulme St. in Bay St. Louis. It is within walking distance of the courthouse. They are buried in Cedar Rest Cemetery which is one block from courthouse. I am sending info on that cemetery, pictures of the stones and plot and instructions on how to find it along with the inscriptions. I mentioned to you that August and Ida Taconi were buried on top of Ben and Rebecca. I will get into that in a minute.

Now the Sones family when they were in S.C. were Baptists. There is a Sones Chapel Baptist church this day up near Carriere and a number of Sones vital records are there. I am told there was no Baptist church around Bay St. Louis at the time Ben Sones was there, so I went to the Catholic church right on the beach. I am sending copies of the records relating to the family. Notice that Mrs. Ben Sones died in 1897 and I have copy of her obit from the "Progress" newspaper. It was officiated by a Catholic priest. This is what bugs me. Why can´t I find Mayor Sones´ date of death in Catholic records? I know the Sea Coast Echo did not exist during that time. I don´t think the "Progress" existed in April of 1886, which is the last date I have located him alive. Mary Fisher thinks there may have been some newspaper in Gainsville during that time, but I have not dug into that. It occurred to me that Ben might have been a Mason, however I don´t think the Catholic church would baptize his children in that case. One of his sons, Lott Sones, was

killed in the Civil War. That obit appears in the New Orleans Times Picayune. The obit says his body was sent from Tennessee where he was killed and Ben Sones brought a "Most Reverend" Somebody from New Orleans to Bay St. Louis to officiate at the funeral. Why did he do this? Why does Ben´s son have an obit in New Orleans, and he doesn´t? Of course Ben Sones was not the mayor at the time of his death, he was secretary.

I went through the minutes from the meetings which show Ben getting elected mayor and being alive as secretary in 1886, this on microfilm in Hancock co library. There must be some way to find out more exactly the date of death that I don´t know about. I think I mentioned to you that Mary Fisher and I want to have a grave marking ceremony and some publicity for the Hancock co. Genealogical and Historical Society. We are in touch with Mrs. Jane McAbee of Georgia who is a direct descendant through the daughter, Sarah Chinn. Sarah´s grave has a pillow marker and not included in the photos I am sending.

The rest of the Sones in the Bay area are not direct descendants but through Ben´s siblings like myself. There are a couple of old folks named Wainwright who were very helpful to me and Mary. They know for a fact that the Taconi family is on top of Mayor Sones. They have been living in Waveland for many years and were there in 1946 which is about the time the Taconis died. All those Sones over there knew Ben had been mayor and been to cemetery and seen Ben and Rebecca´s tombstones. Yes, they had them at one time. When they go back, the tombstones are gone and fresh graves there. At one time there was an iron bench there and an Earl Sones took it to his home for safekeeping as there was vandalism and he is alive and still has the bench.

Jean, if you can help me find out when Mayor Sones died I would be most grateful. His descendant, Jane McAbee would be thrilled no end. I will get in touch with her and Mary and come up with some money to pay for your time. Maybe you can come up with something quickly with creative thinking. We have been into it so much we can´t see the forest for the trees! I think it is an interesting story. I don´t think it will make Taconi descendants to happy to know an ancestor removed tombstones and buried kin on top of the mayor! There may be something at Ms. Dept. of A. and H. I don´t know. Ben was also a Judge of some court, I think probate, but not sure.

You don´t have to write me a long letter. You can just call me in the evening here in Metairie at (504)455-4340. Call collect station to station as I live alone. If you get my answering machine just leave a message and I will get back to you. I am enclosing a check for the time to read through this and get a handle on the problem. I do appreciate your willingness to help on this project.

Sincerely, Miss Rubie Harris

Rubie

P.S. Haven't checked tax list to see last time paid Taxes on Tolme St. property. It wasn't sold until after Rebecca died

4817 York #226
Metairie, La. 70001
July 21, 1991

Dear Jean,

Thank you for your letter of the 13th and for your willingness to help me find out when Mayor Ben Sones of Bay St. Louis died.

I did receive a call from Jerry Heitzman. He knew Jane McAbee of Thomaston, Ga. to be a cousin of his on his McArthur line. He had not contacted her for 10 years and said he would get back in touch with her. I am sending you a copy of Jane Cook McAbee's lineage which connects to Ben Sones and the line which we have back to New Kent co, Va in 1666. One thing which bugs Jane is why Ben Sones named his daughter Sarah CHINN. We thought that may have been the maiden name of Henry Sones Sr. wives who were sisters up in Sumpter co., S.C. There was a China family there, but no kin, so this Chinn name in Hancock co. remains a mystery.

Thank you so much for the info from the Biloxi Herald placing him living on March 3, 1888. I did not have this. At least we know the mayor died between 1888 and 1897 when his widow Rebecca McArthur died.

Too bad Ben Sones wasn't a Mason. Many of my ancestors were. My great-grandfather, John T. Monroe, Mayor of New Orleans during the Civil War was 33rd degree. His son in law, Reuben G. Harris might be in your book as he was from Woodville, Ms. My ancestor, James Tate has a Mason emblem on his tombstone. My ancestor Sherrard Byrd had a lodge name after him in Poplarville. My father was a past High Priest. My kin were it seems all Royal Arch Masons. I can't afford to buy your book, but perhaps Anne Anderson has bought a copy and I can get copy of pages of interest to me.

Right now I am working on my lines of Joshua Stockstill and William and son Littleberry West who were early settlers in the Natchez district having gotten early land grants. They appear in St. Helena parish, La. for a while before their descendants appear around the Picayune area. I filled out papers for First Families of Mississippi on them and they have been accepted as well as Henry Sones Sr. I stay very busy.

Thanks again for your help. Let's keep in touch.

Sincerely,

Rubie

Rubie Harris

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JANE MCABEE LINE TO HENRY SONES 1

Prepared by: MARY FRANCES SMITH FISHER

1 FLORENCE JANE COOK, b. 2 Mar 1931 in ATLANTA, GA, re. in 310 MAGNOLIA, THOMASTON, GA, ma. 5 May 1951 in VALDOSTA GA, GENEAL.

2 O. E. "GENE" COOK, occ. GOLF PRO, b. in ATLANTA, GA, d. circa 1953 in ANNISTON, AL, bu. in WESTVIEW CEM., ATLANTA, GA, ma. circa 1929 in ATLANTA, GA.

3 FLORENCE LACY, b. 2 Jan 1908.

6 W. Z. LACY, d. in BIRMINGHAM, AL, bu. in ELWOOD CEM., BIRMINGHAM, AL, ma. circa 1905 in BIRMINGHAM, AL.

7 SARA SONIE CROCKETT, b. 25 Mar 1886 in NEW ORLEANS, LA, d. 9 Jun 1924 in ATLANTA, GA, bu. in WESTVIEW CEM., ATLANTA, GA.

14 DAVID P. CROCKETT, occ. CONTRACTOR, b. 29 Mar 1859 in ALABAMA, d. 11 Jun 1920 in ATLANTA, GA, bu. in WESTVIEW CEM., ATLANTA, GA, ma. circa 1880 (?) in NEW ORLEANS, LA.

15 FLORENCE LEE MITCHELL, b. 25 Aug 1862, d. 21 Mar 1949 in ATLANTA, GA, bu. in WESTVIEW CEM., ATLANTA, GA.

30 WILLIAM GREEN MITCHELL, occ. STEAMBOAT CAPT., b. 29 May 1833 (?), d. 14 Nov 1920 in ATLANTA, GA, bu. in WESTVIEW CEM., ATLANTA, GA, ma. circa 1859 (?).

31 SARAH CHINN SONES, b. 29 Sep 1837, d. 4 Feb 1920 in ATLANTA, GA, bu. in CEDAR REST CEM, BAY ST LOUIS, MS.

62 BENJAMIN SONES, occ. JUDGE-MAYOR, b. circa 1808 (?) in SOUTH CAROLINA, d. circa 1882 (?) in HANCOCK CTY MS, bu. in CEDAR REST CEM, BAY ST LOUIS MS, ma. circa 1833.

63 REBECCA MCARTHUR, b. circa 1817, d. 8 Feb 1897 in HANCOCK CTY MS, bu. 9 Feb 1897 in CEDAR REST CEM, BAY ST LOUIS MS, OBIT.

124 HENRY SONES SR., b. circa 1760 in NORTH CAROLINA, d. circa 1823 in MARION COUNTY MS, bu. in MARION COUNTY MS, pr. 24 Mar 1823 in MARION COUNTY MS, ma. circa 1797 (?) in SUMTER COUNTY SC, PROBAT, ref: SONEH767.

125 MARY UNKNOWN SONES.

126 JAMES McARTHUR, b. circa 1772 (?) in NORTH CAROLINA, d. after 1850 in MISSISSIPPI.

127 CELIE LOTT, b. circa ~~1815~~ (?), d. after 1885 (?).

248 UNKNOWN SONES, d. before 1780 (?), ma. before 1761 (?).

249 NAOMI CLADER/VAUGHAN, b. circa 1736 (?), d. 24 Jul 1819 in HIGH HILLS, SUMTER COUNTY SC, ref: VAUGN736.

498 UNKNOWN CLADER, d. before 1747 (?), ma. before 1735 (?).

499 FRANCES WADDILL, b. 2 May 1706 in ST. PETER'S PR, NEW KENT CTY VA, ref: WADDF706.

998 WILLIAM WADDILL, b. before 1666 (?), d. Apr 1740 (?) in NEW KENT CTY VA, ma. before 1690 (?) in NEW KENT CTY VA.

999 SUSANNAH NOEL.

1,996 JOHN WADDILL.

1,997 AGNES UNKNOWN WADDILL.

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Carl C. White, Auditor of Public Accounts and Pension Commissioner of the State of Mississippi

APPLICATION FOR PENSION

FORM No. 1—WIDOWS
MARRIED PRIOR TO 1866
For $1.00 Per Day

Application of Widow of Soldier or Sailor of the Late Confederacy, Under H. B. 11, 1928.

Application must be filed in duplicate with the Chancery Clerk on or before the first Monday in September of the year in which application is first filed.

(Applicant must answer all of the following questions.)

Q. 1. What is your name? Answer Mrs.Helen Caroline Sones

Q. 2. What is your age? Answer 85 years.

Q. 3. In what state and county do you reside? Answer State of Miss.,Pearl River County.

Q. 4. How long have you resided in Mississippi? All my life

Q. 5. What is the name of your postoffice? Answer Carriere,Miss.,Rt.1

Q. 6. Are you a bona fide resident of the United States and of the State of Mississippi?
Answer Yes. (Yes or No)

Q. 7. What was your husband's name? Answer Benjamin J.Sones

Q. 8. When were you married? Answer March 30,1865.

Q. 9. Where were you married? Answer Hancock County,Miss.

Q. 10. Have you since remarried? Answer No. (Yes or No)

Q. 11. Are you an inmate of the Beauvoir Soldiers' Home? Answer No (Yes or No)

Q. 12. Was your husband a bona fide citizen of the United States and of the State of Mississippi?
Answer Yes. (Yes or No)

Q. 13. What was the date of your husband's enlistment? Answer 1862.

Q. 14. Give place of his enlistment. Answer Hancock County,Miss.

Q. 15. Give names of officers of his company, regiment or vessel?
Answer Capt.Jim Miller;-W-Monette,1st.Lieut.--Steed's Battallion.

Q. 16. Was he ever discharged from his command? Answer No.

Q. 17. If so, for what cause? Answer None (Yes or No)

Q. 18. Was he in active service at the surrender in 1865? Answer No;he was sick at home on furlough.

Q. 19. If not, why? Answer Sick of Pneumonia. (Yes or No)

Q. 20. What is your net income? Answer None

"I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I am a widow of a Confederate Soldier or Sailor (as the case may be); that he was honorably discharged or paroled, or did not desert from the Confederate service (as the case may be); that I reside in this State; that the statements set forth in the application are true and correct as the applicant verily believes; so help me God."

(Signature of Pensioner) Mrs. Helen Caroline Sones

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 2nd. day of April, 1951

W. T. Rouse, Chancery Clerk.

AFFIDAVIT—We, the undersigned, certify that the facts stated in the above application are true and the applicant is the identical person named in the said application.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 2 day of April, 1931

H K Rouse
(Signature of Officer) Chancery Clerk

Thomas J. Stockstill
(Signature of Witness)

H D Stewart
(Signature of Witness)

(Signature of Witness)

(Signature of Witness)

NOTE—Must be attested by one or more creditable witnesses.

Mrs. Helen Caroline Sones
(Signature of Applicant)

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 2 day of April, 1931

H. K. Rouse
(Signature of Officer) Chancery Clerk

OFFICE OF CHANCERY CLERK AND COUNTY BOARD OF INQUIRY Pearl River COUNTY

Poplarville, MISS., April 6, 1931

We, the undersigned members of the Board of Inquiry, hereby approve the foregoing application of Mrs. Helen Caroline Sones for pension because we believe the facts stated in the application are true and the party should receive a pension.

Given under our hands and seal of office, this 6th day of April, 1931

J. F. Selph (Seal)
President of Board.

Leopold Locke (Seal)
Attorney.

Willie F. Pearson (Seal)
Veteran of World War.

Nolos Ladner (Seal)

W Pimp Smith (Seal)

Jack Smith (Seal)

(Seal)

H K Rouse (Seal)
Chancery Clerk.

ATTEST: H K Rouse, Chancery Clerk.
(Attach Seal of Office)

N. B.—If the Board approves this application, the Chancery Clerk will so certify, after recording the same in a book kept for that purpose and forward all of the approved applications in a body to the Auditor's Office by the first day of October

No application forwarded after that time can be received.

PENSION APPLICATION

Pearl River County

Name of Applicant Mrs. Helen Caroline Sones

Postoffice Carriere, Miss., Rt. 1

No of Application 1

FORM No. 1—WIDOWS

Special Instructions to Chancery Clerk:

No application will be entertained unless made on the proper form and every blank in the form properly filled out.

Filed Apr. 2, 1931
H K Rouse
Clerk

HEDERMAN BROS., JACKSON, MISS.

MINUTES OF PENSION BOARD OF INQUIRY, PEARL RIVER COUNTY, MISS.,
APRIL TERM, 1931.

State of Mississippi,
Pearl River County.

BE IT REMEMBERED That the Pension Board of Inquiry of Pearl River County, Mississippi, met in regular session on Monday, the 6th day of April, 1931, in the Chancery Clerk's office of said County, in the Courthouse, in the Town of Poplarville, Miss., it being the time and place designated by law for the holding of said meeting. There were present and in attendance the following members of said Board, to-wit: John F. Selph, President, member from Dist. No. 1; Nelos Ladner, member from Dist. No. 2; Joel Smith, member from Dist. No. 3; W. Pink Smith, member from Dist. No. 4; W. F. Pearson, member from the County-at-large, a World-War veteran; Leopold Locke, County Attorney; H. K. Rouse, Chancery Clerk. Absent: J. Lenoard Stockstill, member from Dist. No. 5.

Application of Mrs. Helen Caroline Sones.

The application of Mrs. Helen Caroline Sones for pension under FORM 1-Widows-coming on to be considered by the Board, and it appearing that the said application is in regular form and that the proof submitted is sufficient to justify a pension under the Pension Laws of 1930, and that the applicant is entitled to a pension:
It is, therefore, ordered that the said application of Mrs. Helen Caroline Sones be and the same is hereby approved and allowed in Class No. 1--Widows--for $1.00 per day.

Order Restoring Names of Pensioners to Pension Roll.

Whereas, heretofore the following named pensioners of Pearl River County have been admitted to the Beauvoir Soldiers' Home, to-wit: Mrs. N. C. Warden, Mrs. Sarah Kendrick ~~and Mrs. Ida Davis~~; and,
Whereas, the said pensioners have been discharged from the said Home by the Superintendent, evidenced by an honorable discharge certificate, and have requested this Board to restore them to the pension roll of this county:
It is, therefore, ordered by the Board that the name of Mrs. N. C. Warden ~~Davis~~ be and the same is hereby restored to the Pension Roll of this County in Class No. ~~3~~--Widows; that the name of Mrs. Sarah Kendrick be and the same is hereby restored to the Pension roll of this County in Class No. 2--Widows; ~~that the name of Mrs. N. C. Warden be and the same is hereby restored to the Pension Roll of this County in Class No. 3--Widows.~~

Adjourning Order.

There being no further business to come before the Board, it is ordered that the Board adjourn for the term.

President.

H K Rouse

Chancery Clerk.

(Carbon Copy)

THE WOLF AT THE DOOR.

The approach of winter brings both good and bad. Chill winds sweep down from northwestern prairies. Cold and dreary rains drip down from frowning leaden colored skies. But along with the discomforts of wind and weather come the joys of long and happy evenings around the warm bright fires of cheerful homes, the hospitable welcome of tables loaded with the honored viands that belong by right of age—long custom to the time of frost and snow. Winter brings the regal turkey, and all his train—the diplomatic oyster, the ornamental celery, the substantial plum pudding, and the mechiavellian mince pie. On the wings of the blast from arctic regions comes the wild goose and ducks by thousands flock southward to bring joy to the huntsman's soul. But with the wild fowl comes the tramp and he is indissolubly associated with all that makes winter welcome as well as all that makes it feared.

He lurks about the windows from which stream the lights of household fires. He skulks darkly about the back doors while the odors of the baked meats mingle with the frosty air. He lays wait for the cook in the falling twilight and takes toll of the morning buckwheats and the evening roast. If grim dogs and determined men appear he cringes pitiful and appeals humbly for charity. If timid women only are on the guard his truculent face and threatening manner terrify them into granting the food he insolently demands. He is the daily dread of the weak and unprotected—a true wolf at the door, cowardly and cringing to the strong, cruel and merciless to the helpless. Charity is a part of the beautiful nature of women: but its abuse by these sturdy vagabonds who throng southward with the winter is a great and growing evil to the times, and there is no reason why the store of honest men should be taxed for the support of idle and dangerous marauders.—Greenville Times.

BENEFIT FOR THE CONVENT.

At present writing, indications are that the benefit entertainment tendered by the St. Stanislaus' boys to St

OFFICIAL.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN.

A regular monthly meeting of the board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Bay St. Louis, was held at the city hall on Saturday, December 7, 1895, at 10 a. m.

Present: Hon. A. G. Pieri, mayor; L. H. VonGohren, James G. Fayard, Peter Raymond and F. H. Egloff, aldermen; Geo. W. Maynard, marshal; Richard Mendes, secretary.

The minutes of last meeting were read and approved, with the following amendment: "That the motion in reference to the Ring property, shall read, 'will be transfered,' instead of 'which has been transfered.'"

Mrs. Rebecca Sones presented a bill, claiming $10 for 7 feet of land used by the city by a former board. Matters was discussed, and on motion of Alderman Egloff, seconed by Alderman Raymond, it was tabled.

The reports of the officers were read and handed their respective committees for investigation and were subsequently reported correct and ordered spread on the minutes.

The treasurer's report was as follows:

CITY FUND.

Nov. 2, To bal last report		$ 52 84
" 26, J B Ioor, R W No. 166, taxes		335 24
" 30, J B Ioor, R W No. 169, taxes		351 46
Dec. 5, G W Maynard, R W No. 172, licenses		93 82
Dec. 5, R Mendes, R W No. 173, road tax		10 00
Dec. 5, R. Mendes, R W No. 174, reg deaths		3 00
Dec. 5, R Mendes, R W No. 175, reg births		2 50
		$848 86
Dec. 7, by warrants to board	$779 03	
" " R C Engman 2½ per cent com on $796 02	19 90	$798 93
Balance on hand		$ 49 93

SCHOOL FUND.

Nov. 2, bal last report	$322 65
" 18, J F Cazeneuve, R W No. 118 poll tax	9 70
Nov. 26, J B Ioor R W No. 168 taxes	23 95
" 30, J B Ioor, R W No. 171 taxes	25 11
	$381 41
Dec. 7, warrants to board	$365 00
R C Engman, 2½ per cent	

Too Dead to Stink.

Editor Biloxi Herald:

If there is any one thing that I like better than any other one thing it is good, wholesome, vigorous Anglo-Saxon; especially when it is loaded with great fat gobs of truth.

Your editorial "The Senatorship," in last week's Herald, is refreshing. It reminds me of a time, during the war, when I ran up on Myrtle Spring, in Texas, after having been for three days drawing my water supplies from the crawfish holes on the prairie.

Have that article printed on a thousand posters, in big, red letters, and plaster the walls of the State capitol with them on the first Monday of January next. The incoming legislature has it in its power to do a great work for the Democratic party.

If I had a fifteen year old boy who knew enough to matriculate in the Biloxi high school, and who could not see that free silver had been the cause of Democratic defeat, I would apprentice that boy to a soap factory.

One who cannot see that the free silver fizzle is too dead to stink is about as competent to legislate for an intelligent people as the chief of the Pottaw tomies would be to occupy the throne of the British empire.

Anyone who wants to see and can not see that if we reign in '96 we have got to reign on Cleveland lines, has not discernment enough to trace the milky way on a clear, frosty night.

The Mississippi legislature can, by sending John M. Stone to the senate, do for the Democratic party what no other state is in a position to do. Is the legislature big enough to rise to the occasion? We will see. M. A. McCLAUGHERTY.

Peacon Grove, December 4, 1895.

Card of Thanks.

I desire in this manner to publicly return grateful thanks to Mr. P. Chauvet, and Mesdames Randolph, Turner, Kimbal, Bourgeois, Stravapodi, Ladner, Tacont, Pavalini, Adams and a host of others, who cheerfully lent their aid and assistance during the illness of my wife.

JACQUES PUCHEU.

Bay St. Louis
Gulf Coast Progress

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Rebecca Sones

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FIFTH GENERATION

Mary Sylvester-Real Estate
Son-Henry Sones $300
Brother-Noel Vaughan $300
relationship not noted-Elizabeth Spears, widow of Mason Spears
$300 (see 1799? Judgement Book C, Page 16 under Naomi's file)
Slaves to be sold and divided as follows:
1/4 to grandchildren William Sones, Henry Sones Jr. and
Polly or Mary Tyner (Mary was the wife of John Tyner)
1/4 to grandchildren John Bates and Martha Gay (children of
Mary Sones & James Bates)
1/4 to grandchildren Joesph H. and Mary Sylvester
1/4 to daughter, Martha Gibson & her children Joseph H. and
Mary Sylvester (Is Martha Gibson the same as Patsy Hampton)
Niece: Elizabeth Dubose use of house until grandson Joseph H.
Sylvester becomes twenty one years old.
Nephew: William Vaughan, son of Noel Vaughan
Other property-not mentioned divided equally between my two grand
children Joseph H. and Mary Sylvester
signed: Naomi Hampton (her mark)
Witnesses: Elizabeth MacNair
Louisa M. Tyon
Elizabeth M. Roberts
Recorded Will Book AA, Page 196
Sumter County SC - Bundle 48, Package 4

1823 MISSISSIPPI-MARION COUNTY
Henry Sones died ca 1822 in Marion County. His will is recorded
in Orphan Court Records A (1812-1827), Pages 222-228.
WILL OF HENRY SONES, SR.
Dated 25TH APRIL 1822
Quotes from will of record:
"Estate, both real and personal to be equally divided and
distributed by my Executors between the following children to
wit,
Sarah Lott
Harriett Harris
John Horrin Sones
Benjamin Sones
Francis B. Sones
Martha Elizabeth Sones
Andrew Jackson Sones
Rebecca Sones"
Will of Henry Sones, Sr. cont.
"each and every of my older children having-----their full
proportion share or apportation --- of my Estate before
the making and publishing of this will"
"Appoint, constitute and ordain my beloved son-in-laws, John
Tyner and Arthur Lott, Jr. Exectors."
Signed-Henry Sones, Senior
Witnesses: Simeon Duke, Gilbert Stovall and George H. Dashner
This will was probated in the March Term of the Orphans Court
held 24th March 1823.

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James Phillips, Judge of Probate

Orphan Court Records A (1812-1827), Page 235
Appraisal of his real & personal property by William Mellon, & G. Stovall 28th April 1823 recorded 29th April 1823
Value $1,626.00

Orphan Court Records A (1812-1827), Page 239
Sale of property 31st May 1823, recorded 26th June 1823
Sold for $1,493.12 1/2
Note: Item bought by Mrs. Sones (wife of Henry Sones, Jr.?)

Orphan Court Records A (1812-1827), Pages 338-339
Accounting of fund by Henry Sones, Jr. balance due to legatees $1,050.78 1/2 in 1824.

1823 MISSISSIPPI-MARION COUNTY
Orphan Court Records 1823-1832, Page 3.
Here we have a list that includes the older children mentioned: "It is therefore ordered by the Court that Citations be issued to William B. Sones, Francis B. Lenoir (husband of Naomi Sones), John Tyner (husband of Mary or Polly Sones), Henry Sones, Jr., Arthur Lott, Jr. (husband of Sarah Sones), and James Harris (husband of Hariett P. Sones) the parties concerned to appear at the next term of this Court".

1830 MISSISSIPPI-MARION COUNTY
Orphan Court Records 1825-1831, Page 174
An accounting by Henry Sones, Jr. dated 1st Oct. 1830 bal $1,388.

Orphan Court Records 1825-1831, Page 256
Martha Sones now Martha Neal, John H. Sones and Benjamin B. Sones now of age, Rebecca Sones living with Arthur Lott, Jackson Sones living with guardian, Francis B. Sones is still under age but has left without leave and gone to Pearlington, Miss.
dated 8th June 1831, recorded 16th June 1831

AUTOBIOGRAPHY OF REV. HENRY J. HARRIS (grandson of Henry Sones, Sr.)
Located at the Methodist Archives, Millsaps College, Jackson, Miss.
from transcript by J. B. Cain, and verified by copy of the orginal

"I was born of humble parentage at the town of Columbia, Marion County Mississippi February 1st 1822, my father's name was James Harris, my mother's maiden name was Harriet P. Sones. They were both natives of South Carolina. I do not know the District. My maternal grand parnets were among the Carolina settlers on Pearl River some six or eight miles north of Columbia on the east side of the river. My mother was the youngest daughter and the youngest child but two of her father's by his second marriage. His wives were Sisters."

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ADDED NOTE MSF:
I read the "but two" to mean two children younger by the second wife, and since from Henry's will and later census reports it is known that there were six children younger than Harriet, it is possible that there were three wives. I believe the younger children were listed from oldest to youngest in the will.
Thanks must go to Rubie Harris and Jane McAbee, who locate Sones information at an amazing rate, for sharing information with me.

He married, first, UNKNOWN UNKNOWN SONES, circa 1786 (?), in SUMTER CTY SC. Died, after 1793 (?), in SUMTER CTY SC. Children:

+ 28 i. MARY E. "POLLY"[6].
+ 29 ii. WILLIAM BRADFORD.
+ 30 iii. NAOMI.
+ 31 iv. HENRY JR.

He married, second, MARY UNKNOWN SONES, circa 1797 (?), in SUMTER CTY SC. Children:

32 v. SARAH. Born, circa 1798 (?), in SUMTER CTY SC. She married ARTHUR LOTT JR., 12 Nov 1817, in BOOK A, P 145, MARION CTY MISS.
+ 33 vi. HARRIET PINKNEY.
34 vii. JOHN HORRIN. Born, circa 1805 (?), in SC. He married HESTER FERRIS, 17 Jun 1834, in BOOK 2, P 108, LAWR CTY MISS.
+ 35 viii. BENJAMIN.
+ 36 ix. FRANCIS B.
+ 37 x. MARTHA ELIZABETH.
+ 38 xi. ANDREW JACKSON.
39 xii. REBECCA. Born, circa 1820 (?), in MARION CTY MISS.

15. MARY[5] SONES (NAOMI[4], FRANCES[3], WILLIAM[2]). Born, circa 1765.

She married JAMES BATES, 7 Jul 1790, in CLAREMONT CTY, SC. Children:

40 i. MARTHA[6]. She married JAMES GUY, before 1819 (?).
41 ii. JOHN.

16. MARTHA "PATSY"[5] HAMPTON (NAOMI[4], FRANCES[3], WILLIAM[2]). Born, 22 Aug 1785, in HIGH HILLS, SUMTER CTY SC. Died, 17 Aug 1856, in GADSDEN CTY FL. Burial in WEST END CEM., QUINCY, FL.

She married (ibid.), first, JOSEPH SYLVESTER, 11 Feb 1802 (?). Children:

42 i. JOSEPH H.[6].
43 ii. MARY.

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She married (ibid.), second, JAMES GIBSON, 28 Jun 1814. Died, Nov 1861, in GADSDEN CTY FL. Burial in WEST END CEM., QUINCY, FL. Children:

44 iii. JOHN HAMPTON. Born, circa 1824. He married JULIA DONALDSON.

18. NOEL[5] VAUGHAN (NOEL HUTCHENS[4], FRANCES[3], WILLIAM[2]) (ibid.). Died, circa 1848, in SUMTER CTY SC. Prob of Est: 3 Jun 1848, in SUMTER CTY SC.

He married (ibid.) HANNAH UNKNOWN VAUGHAN (ibid.). Died, circa 1850, in SUMTER CTY SC. Prob of Est: 27 May 1850, in SUMTER CTY SC. Children:

45 i. JAMES HENRY[6] (ibid.).
46 ii. CHRISTOPHER D. (ibid.).
47 iii. MARY E. (ibid.).
48 iv. CHARLOTTE A. BRADFORD (ibid.).
49 v. SARAH W. ALLEN (ibid.).

21. UNKNOWN[5] VAUGHAN (HENRY[4], FRANCES[3], WILLIAM[2]) (ibid.). Died, before 1809.

He married an unknown woman. Children:

50 i. RICHARD[6] (ibid.).

25. HENRY[5] VAUGHAN JR. (HENRY[4], FRANCES[3], WILLIAM[2]) (ibid.). Died, circa 1814, in SUMTER CTY SC. Prob of Est: 2 Jun 1814, in SUMTER CTY SC.

He married (ibid.) MARGARET UNKNOWN VAUGHAN ANDERSON (ibid.). Children:

51 i. FINETTA JULIA[6] (ibid.).
52 ii. HENRY III (ibid.).
53 iii. VERMIELLE (ibid.).
54 iv. MARY M. (ibid.).
55 v. JOHN A. (ibid.).

27. JOHN[5] VAUGHAN (HENRY[4], FRANCES[3], WILLIAM[2]) (ibid.). Died, circa 1800, in SUMTER CTY SC. Prob of Est: 12 Nov 1800, in SUMTER CTY SC.

He married (ibid.) JANE UNKNOWN VAUGHAN (ibid.). Children:

56 i. JOHN JR.[6] (ibid.).
57 ii. EUGENIA (ibid.).

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28. MARY E. "POLLY"[6] SONES (HENRY SR.[5], NAOMI[4], FRANCES[3], WILLIAM[2]). Born, circa 1787 (?), in SUMTER DIST SC (named in Will of grandmother, NAOMI CLADER SONES HAMPTON). Died, before 1860 (?), in MARION CTY MISS. Burial in TYNER CEM., MARION CTY MS.

She married JOHN TYNER, son of ARTHUR PEARCE TYNER and ELIZABETH UNKNOWN TYNER, circa 1813, in SC. Born, circa 1792, in GEORGETOWN D SC. Died, after 1860, in MARION CTY MISS. Children:

+	58	i.	SARAH ELIZABETH[7].
+	59	ii.	MARY ANN.
+	60	iii.	JOHN PEARCE.
	61	iv.	RANSON. Born, circa 1820 (?), in MARION CTY MISS.
+	62	v.	AMANDA ROBERT.
	63	vi.	HENRY ARTHUR. Born, circa 1828 (?), in MARION CTY MISS. Died, Jun 1849, in MARION CTY MISS.
+	64	vii.	JAMES MARION.

29. WILLIAM BRADFORD[6] SONES (HENRY SR.[5], NAOMI[4], FRANCES[3], WILLIAM[2]). Born, circa 1787 (?), in SC (ibid.). Died, after 1860 (?), in SCOTT CTY MISS.

He married MARY D. COLLINS, daughter of DAVIS COLLINS, 26 Jan 1812 (?), in SUMTER CTY SC. Born, 7 Feb 1792, in SUMTER CTY SC. Died, 22 Nov 1858, in SCOTT CTY MISS. Children:

+	65	i.	EMMA AMELIA[7].
+	66	ii.	WILLIAM HENRY.
+	67	iii.	THOMAS SYLVESTER.
	68	iv.	MARY J. Born, circa 1831 (?), in MARION CTY MISS.
	69	v.	EDWARD S. Born, circa 1832 (?).
+	70	vi.	CARY D.
+	71	vii.	GEORGE W.

30. NAOMI[6] SONES (HENRY SR.[5], NAOMI[4], FRANCES[3], WILLIAM[2]). Born,

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1791, in SC. Died, circa 1866, in HANCOCK CTY MISS. Prob of Est: 31 May 1866, in WILL BK A, P11, HANCOCK CTY MISS.

She married FRANCIS BARNES LENOIR, 7 Sep 1808, in SUMTER CTY SC. Died, 12 Aug 1834, in NEW ORLEANS, LA. Children:

72 i. AMANDA F.[7]. Born, circa 1814 (?), in MISS. She married HEZEKIAH? HOWARD.
\+ 73 ii. MISSOURI A.
74 iii. A. GOMAN SIDNEY. Born, before 1824 (?), in MISS.
\+ 75 iv. LOUISIANA W.
76 v. MARY BILLUPS. Born, circa 1826 (?), in MISS. She married BOLIVAR RANDALL, after 1850 (?), in HANCOCK CTY MS.

31. HENRY[6] SONES JR. (HENRY SR.[5], NAOMI[4], FRANCES[3], WILLIAM[2]). Born, circa 1793 (?), in SC (ibid.). Died, 28 Sep 1853, in LAWR CTY MISS.

He married CYNTHIA MCGOWAN, 2 Jun 1817, in BOOK A, P 140, MARION CTY MISS. Born, circa 1799 (?), in GA. Died, before 1854, in LAWR CTY MISS. Prob of Est: 1854, in LAWR CTY MISS. Children:

77 i. ROBERT H.[7]. Born, circa 1825 (?), in MISS.
78 ii. HUGH M. Born, circa 1833 (?), in MISS.
79 iii. JAMES M. Born, circa 1835 (?), in MISS.

33. HARRIET PINKNEY[6] SONES (HENRY SR.[5], NAOMI[4], FRANCES[3], WILLIAM[2]). Born, 1800 (?), in SUMTER CTY SC. Died, 1 May 1873, in HINDS CTY MISS. Burial in CLINTON CEM., HINDS CTY MISS.

Information on this family was provided by Rubie Harris, 4817 York # 226, Metairie, LA 70001. She is a descendant of Harriet Pickney Sones Harris.

She married, first, JAMES P. HARRIS, 1 Mar 1821, in BOOK A, P 195, MARION CTY MISS. Died, 1831. Children:

\+ 80 i. HENRY J.[7].

She married, second, HILLERY MOSELEY, 20 Jul 1834, in BK 1, P 348 D#2, HINDS CTY MISS. Born, circa 1805 (?), in VIRGINIA. Died, circa 1877 (?), in HINDS CTY MISS. Burial in CLINTON CEM., HINDS CTY MISS. Children:

81 ii. S. E. Born, circa 1837 (?), in MISS.
82 iii. H. M. Born, circa 1839 (?), in MISS.
83 iv. JOHN T. Born, 3 Feb 1840, in HINDS CTY MISS. Died, 19 Feb 1879, in HINDS CTY MISS. Burial in CLINTON CEM., HINDS CTY MISS.
84 v. F. M. Born, circa 1845 (?), in MISS.

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85 vi. S. Born, circa 1846 (?), in MISS.
86 vii. ROBERT. Born, circa 1848 (?), in MISS.

35. BENJAMIN[6] SONES (HENRY SR.[5], NAOMI[4], FRANCES[3], WILLIAM[2]). Born, circa 1808 (?), in SC. Died, circa 1882. Burial in CEDAR REST CEM, BAY ST LOUIS MS. Occupation: JUDGE-MAYOR. 1886

The information on this line was received from Mrs. Jane McAbee, 310 Magnolia, Thomaston, GA. She is a descendant of Benjamin Sones.

He married REBECCA MCARTHUR, circa 1833. Born, circa 1819. Died, after 1885. Burial in CEDAR REST CEM, BAY ST LOUIS MS. Children:

87 i. ELIZA[7]. Born, circa 1835 (?). Died, 23 Jan 1876. Burial in CEDAR REST CEM, BAY ST LOUIS MS. She married E. N. BALDWIN.
+ 88 ii. SARAH CHINN.
89 iii. D. BENJAMIN. Born, circa 1840 (?). Died, 17 Jul 1858, in HANCOCK CTY MISS. Burial in CEDAR REST CEM, BAY ST LOUIS MS.
90 iv. LOTT MCARTHUR. Born, circa 1841 (?). Died, 30 Nov 1864, in HANCOCK CTY MISS. Burial in CEDAR REST CEM, BAY ST LOUIS MS.
91 v. J. HENRY. Born, circa 1844 (?). Died, 1 Oct 1867, in HANCOCK CTY MISS. Burial in CEDAR REST CEM, BAY ST LOUIS MS.

36. FRANCIS B.[6] SONES (HENRY SR.[5], NAOMI[4], FRANCES[3], WILLIAM[2]) (HARRY BENJAMIN SONES, JIM THE BAPTIST 1876-1954). Born, 28 Aug 1814, in SC. Died, 7 Jun 1875. Burial in FAMILY CEM., SONES CHAPEL, MS.

He married MARTHA LUMPKIN (ibid.). Born, 14 Oct 1814, in GA. Died, 7 Nov 1902. Burial in FAMILY CEM., SONES CHAPEL, MS. Children:

+ 92 i. VIRGINIA ELIZABETH[7].
+ 93 ii. BENJAMIN J.

37. MARTHA ELIZABETH[6] SONES (HENRY SR.[5], NAOMI[4], FRANCES[3], WILLIAM[2]). Born, circa 1815 (?), in MARION CTY MISS.

She married JACOB NEAL, before 1831 (?). Children:

94 i. MARY[7]. Born, circa 1839 (?).

38. ANDREW JACKSON[6] SONES (HENRY SR.[5], NAOMI[4], FRANCES[3], WILLIAM[2]). Born, circa 1820 (?), in MARION CTY MISS. Died, circa 1884 (?), in HANCOCK CTY MISS. Burial in SONES CHAPEL, PEARL R CTY MISS.

Information on this line provided by Mrs. Theresa

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F. Crump, 703 East Zipp Road, New Braunfels, TX.
She is a descendant of Andrew Jackson Sones.

He married, first, AMELIA "MILLY" WALLACE, 19 Nov 1841, in BOOK C, P 25, MARION CTY MISS. Born, circa 1820 (?), in MISS. Died, before 1876. Children:

95 i. MARY[7]. Born, circa 1844 (?), in MARION CTY MISS. She married JOHN O. BREWER, 14 May 1870, in HANCOCK CTY MISS.
96 ii. MARTHA. Born, circa 1844 (?), in MARION CTY MISS. She married WILLIAM M. COOPER, 12 Jul 1870, in HANCOCK CTY MISS.
+ 97 iii. HENRY.
98 iv. N. Born, circa 1846 (?).
+ 99 v. BALEY CHAMPLIN.
+ 100 vi. FRANKLIN BENJAMIN.
+ 101 vii. WILLIAM M. "JOE".

He married, second, CAROLINE OEVIA WILLIAMSON, circa 1876. Born, circa 1858. Children:

102 viii. SARAH MATILDA. Born, circa 1877 (?). She married BERNARD LUXICH, 22 Nov 1894, in HANCOCK CTY MISS.
+ 103 ix. ANDREW JESSIE.
104 x. ELIZA JANE. Born, after 1880 (?), in HANCOCK CTY MISS. She married DENNIS LUXICH.